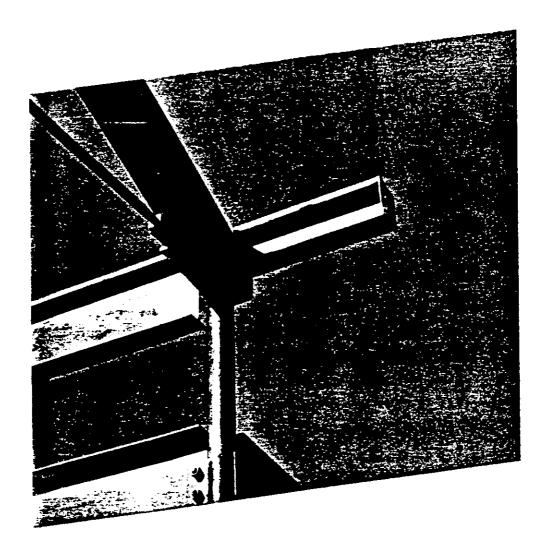
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#### I. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this project is to develop a methodology for gathering and evaluating data on force account expenditures, to attempt a comparison of force account work with contract construction, and to make determinations concerning the adequacy of current accounting and reporting procedures to reflect cost and volume of force account work.

Before continuing, it might be beneficial to define exactly what is meant by the term force account. Force account work is defined in in three different ways:

- a. Funded projects performed by local government agencies on an actual cost or unit cost basis.
- b. Extra work found necessary after the award of a contract and which must be performed by the contractor in order to complete the project as designed.
- c. Contracts to be performed solely on the basis of equipment hours used, including the operators plus material.

Within this study, the term force account is defined as "a", funded projects performed by local government agencies on an actual cost or unit cost basis.

The Building Construction Industry Advisory Committee, (BCIAC), aurhorized this project as a pilot study, for they were aware of the varying degrees of sophistication of accounting and reporting procedures between the myriad of public agencies within the 67 different counties in the State of Florida. They were interested in finding out what problems might be encountered in developing the data necessary to protect the public interest.

### PLAN FOR GATHERING AND EVALUATING DATA ON FORCE ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES

To aid in the formulation of the report, State Departments of Transportation, State Highway Departments, and national business associations were contacted to determine what studies had been prepared which examine the force account versus contract work issue. This study draws from these previous studies to obtain a perspective on what has already been done with this issue.

To minimize travel and data-gathering costs a single governmental unit was selected as the subject of this report. The government body in which there was apparent force account construction, which was chosen, was the Putnam County Public Works Department. Putnam County was chosen because it was known that the county had its own asphalt plant and it was, therefore, believed that the County was engaged in force account work. The County also had a special dispensation. After the study was underway, however, it was determined that the County had drastically reduced the amount of force account work done.

The Public Works Department's most recent past budgets were collected and examined for records of force account expenditures. Interviews were conducted within the departments and governmental subdivisions which were involved in force account work to become familiar with accounting procedures.

An attempt was made to obtain an actual project and audit the public records in an effort to match total expenditures with quantifiable construction work. If this was possible, then the units included in total expenditures in the public accounts would be matched with the items of cost in the private sector for unit price comparisons. If it was not possible to make this comparison, then recommendations would be made on how unit price or productivity could be determined for public force account projects.

#### FINDINGS TO BE INCLUDED IN FINAL REPORT

It was decided that following the interviews, research, and

### Endnotes

1. Correspondence received from the Utah Department of Transportation.

analysis, a report would be formulated which would include the following:

- 1. Current force account expenditures for the governmental body.
- 2. Trends in force account expenditures.
- 3. Public project productivity (if decipherable); or recommendations for changes in accounting and reporting procedures (if necessary) to facilitate more accurate and valid comparisons.
- 4. A step-by-step methodology for determining the above, including budget accounts in which to look for force account work.

## II. STEP-BY-STEP ACCOUNT OF THE METHODOLOGY EMPLOYED IN ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN INFORMATION

This section provides a detailed step-by step account of the methodology followed in obtaining information on force account expenditures and in examining public project productivity.

Below is a listing of the steps followed:

- 1. SURVEY OF THE LITERATURE
- 2. GENERAL GROUNDWORK/CONTACTING THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARIMENT
- 3. DETERMINING TRENDS IN FORCE ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES/CONTACTING THE PUTNAM COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT
- 4. ATTEMPTING TO INCORPORATE PHYSICAL UNITS/CONTACTING THE BOOKKEEPER OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
- 5. CONTACTING THE DATA PROCESSING DEPARTMENT OF PUTNAM COUNTY
- 6. CONTACTING THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
- 7. INTERVIEW WITH MR. BARRY M. HARRISS, DIRECTOR OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
- 8. CONDUCTING DAY-ON-THE-JOB STUDY
- 9. SENDING QUESTIONNAIRES TO ASPHALT PAVING COMPANIES IN PALATKA

#### STEP 1 - SURVEY OF THE LITERATURE

As indicated earlier, State Departments of Transportation; State Highway Departments; and national business associations were contacted to determine what studies had been prepared which examine the force account versus contract work issue. It was found that there are two distinct categories of information: 1) Writings on the force account issue and 2) actual state cost accounting and recording frameworks. Information which is included in the first category will be considered now, while that which is included in the second category will be included in the third section of the report.

Studies and information which were particularly helpful in examining the force account issue include Franzke's, A Study of the Construct by Contract Issue, December 1978, (underwritten by the Associated General Contractors); a report entitled, Construction by Contract, compiled and prepared by Construction by Contract Committee, New Jersey Alliance for Action; Analysis of Maintenance Costing with Emphasis on Contracting Versus Using State Forces, by G.R. Allen and F.N. Lisle, Research Scientists at the Virginia Highway and Transportation Research Council; Robert A. Meyer's, "Cost Analysis in Public Works Decision-Making," Public Works, March 1983; a newsletter on the "Private Supply of Public Services," circulated by the Institute for Private Sector Public Services, in Grants Pass, Oregon; an article published by the National Construction Industry Council located in Washington, D.C.; communication and publications received from the Construction Industry Force Account Council, and a videotape entitled, "Lazy DOT Crew", from WJXT Television Station in Jacksonville. These studies, reports, manuals, etc., were quite helpful in the examination of the force account versus contract work issue, and provided insight into the establishment of various organizations and institutes to examine this issue.

In Franzke's, A Study of the Construct by Contract Issue, it is indicated that the comparison of current construction costs between the public and private sectors is a difficult task due to the differing accounting and reporting systems, and incentives which drive the two parties. To complicate the matter, the issue of which party can perform public work at least cost is often viewed from a political perspective,

rather than from the taxpayer's point of view. 1

There are the private contractors, "interested in expanding their market and resentful of competition from tax subsidized public construction 'companies,'" and the public agencies, "particularly public works and engineering departments, which resist shrinkage of the scope or volume of their activities which they interpret as diminishing their 'importance'." Thus, rather than considering what is in the best interest of the taxpayer, or the "analytical" aspects of the issue, the debate often becomes "adversarial."

Consider the following arguments "for" and "against" contracting to private contractors and notice the difficulty that one encounters in attempting to place a value on each.

### Arguments "For" Contracting to Private Contractors

The following is a listing of arguments frequently cited "for" contracting to private contractors:

- The public pays for what it receives; work actually performed is the basis of payment.
- 2. The price is fixed and the public has no risk of cost increases.
- 3. Timely completion is assured by the liquidated damage provision.
- 4. Faithful performance is backed by a 100 percent bond.
- 5. Part of the contractor's earnings are retained until acceptance, as added assurance of performance.
- 6. Risk of damage during construction is borne by the contractor, not the public.
- 7. The contractor must "defend and hold harmless" the public against claims and must provide the public with insurance coverage.
- 8. Quality inspection is "at arm's length" by independent inspectors.
- The final work is warranted and defects must be corrected at no expense to the public.

- 10. Work loads can be varied in response to needs rather than to manpower at hand.
- 11. Work programs can be rapidly altered because equipment purchases are not involved.
- 12. The private sector provides effective management incentives.
- 13. The number of an agency's personnel problems is reduced.
- 14. The need for in-house training for specialized work can be minimized.
- 15. Contractors tend to continue to improve once they obtain contracts in order to retain the work.
- 16. One of the most compelling reasons for using a contractor is that he is probably more skilled at performing a specialized activity than public agency forces, who perform the work as an infrequent activity. Furthermore, because of the large volume of work a specialized vendor may have cost advantages that public agencies do not. Some may argue that if expertise is not maintained in-house, one is at the mercy of the contractor; however, market competition and the bid process significantly nullify this potential problem.
- 17. Regarding quality improvements in the provision of maintenance by contract, the production specialist will undoubtedly have a strong incentive to maintain a competitive position through quality improvements, particularly in the placement and use of materials. The fact that a public agency may have an internal research facility that commits significant effort to maintenance research seriously weakens this argument.
- 18. Flexibility cannot be overlooked as a strong argument for contracting. It is of particular importance for a highway department because the highway industry undergoes frequent changes in both technology and materials prices. In such situations, a decision to perform an activity in-house may involve extreme costs in the long-rum if there is a change in quality requirements, technology, or materials costs.

#### Arguments "Against" Contracting to Private Contractors

The reasons most often expressed why public agencies must continue in the "construction business" are these:

- 1. Emergency work.
- 2. Bidding expenses.
- 3. Insufficient contractor interest.

- 4. Employee layoffs.
- Local control.
- 6. Lower cost.<sup>5</sup>
- 7. Reduced engineering costs.

Preliminary engineering costs are reduced considerably since detailed plans and specifications are not necessary. Construction engineering is also substantially reduced since only review inspections are required. The public agency's foreman directly controls all day-by-day operations.

8. Reduced need for development and compliance with special provisions.

It is often difficult and time-consuming to write unique specifications for rehabilitation work, particularly when structures are involved. Changes in the scope and extent of the necessary work can be handled expeditiously during construction when being built by force account methods.

9. Time from inception to completion.

Many times the type of project done using force account methods is small and immediate in nature. Reduced survey, preliminary engineering, development of specifications, approvals and the absence of the need to develop and administer a contract significantly decreases the time from inception to the completion of a project.

10. Use of local resources.

A substantial portion of the labor, equipment, and materials needed for a force account project is purchased from individuals and small contractors working and living in the area of the project.

11. Expertise within the governmental unit.

Force account construction activity allows the public agency to maintain within its work force the skills and personnel necessary to be able to do construction work. This capability is important to the public agency in order to provide cost comparisons to contract work and to have their personnel with the knowledge able to properly review construction by others.

(The Maine Department of Transportation has reported that force account construction of small relatively uncomplicated projects saves money.)

12. Contracts increase paperwork.

- 13. Incomplete or faulty work by contractors may increase costs.
- 14. When construction work is "contracted out" direct control of work by the public agency is lost.
- 15. Scheduling problems with contractors may arise.
- 16. Contractors may not be sufficiently sensitive to agency and policy objectives.
- 17. Contractors may not be sufficiently responsive to changing or unique conditions.

#### Difficulties Encountered in Comparing Public and Private Sectors

As indicated earlier, comparing current accounting and reporting procedures between the public and private sectors is a difficult task due to the distortions in how costs are recorded.

For example, with respect to profits and taxes, the public sector is not expected to show a "profit" as Franzke indicates in A Study of the Construct by Contract Issue, and the public sector does not pay many of the taxes paid by the private sector. The following is a listing of taxes that may be paid by the contractor:

Payroll Taxes F.I.C.A.
State Unemployment
Federal Unemployment

Equipment Taxes Property Tax
Federal Diesel Tax
Federal Use Tax
State Truck License

Miscellaneous Taxes State excise tax on income.
Federal income tax.
Stamp tax on bond.
City and county income tax.
City license tax.

(The public agency does pay F.I.C.A. and State Unemployment.)

Thus, the private sector returns money, paid in the form of taxes, to the economy. Also, the private sector normally pays higher wages and earns a profit which will eventually be returned to the economy.

Franzke examines the distortions which arise when comparing costs by considering four separate elements of cost in turn. This is done in order to obtain a more accurate depiction of the difficulties which exist. These elements include wages, materials, equipment costs, and administrative costs.

With respect to wages, there are several distortions which may exist. First, wages paid to public employees involved in construction may be much lower than the rates which state law requires to be paid to private employees.

"The effect of the present law is to create an inherent disadvantage to the private sector in any comparison of public and private construction costs."

Secondly, hours of work per day introduces a difficulty with respect to wage comparisons. That is, private sector employees go directly to and leave directly from the project site. Public sector employees, on the other hand, generally report into the Public Works Headquarters both before and after their shift. Although employees of both sectors begin and end their workday at the same time the public sector employees may be at the project site substantially less than eight hours. (This will be seen later in a "Day-on-the-job" study that was conducted.)

Thirdly, the cost recording of fringe benefits paid to or on behalf of workers creates additional distortions. For instance,

Franzke indicates "in some jurisdictions,..., retirement benefits are a

#### Cost Analysis

Having noted the the frequently cited arguments "for" and "against" contracting to private contractors, and the distortions in how costs are recorded, the attention turned to cost analysis; how cost information may be calculated, cost recording systems, and cost-accounting and control systems.

Robert A. Meyer in his "Cost Analysis in Public Works

Decision-Making," (Public Works, March 1983), indicates that, "raw cost data (labor, equipment, and materials used in a particular activity) can be obtained in several ways. One method is to have each foreman carefully account for each of these categories and the actual progress made on a daily basis. This can usually be noted quite easily on the same form that contains daily payroll information."

"Another method is to have a general foreman note this same information in a diary or daily work record based on his regular contact with the operation."

"In either case, efforts should be made to ensure that the information obtained is accurate since the result of the cost calculations will be only as accurate as the raw data used."

In order to illustrate how cost information may be calculated,

Meyer considers an example, with the first step involving a compilation

of the raw data on one form. The job is defined, for instance, as

Gravel Operation as in Meyer's example. The date is recorded, along

with the employee's name, labor class, the number of hours worked, type

of equipment used with corresponding number of hours, and cubic yards of

materials used and quantity produced.

The second step in Meyer's example calculations involves the

calculation of fringe benefits. The employee's name is recorded with the corresponding number of leave days, including vacation days, sick days, holidays, personal days. This is divided by the total number of working days, 260, (5 X 52), to obtain the percentage of leave days taken. Also, the current year cost of hospital insurance divided by the department payroll is reported along with the social security rate, and retirement rate (current year). From this information, a total rate is obtained; this rate being the labor burden. (In an interview with Mr. Barry M. Harriss, the results of which occur later on in the study, it was reported that 35% of direct labor costs are added for retirement, vacation time, FICA, fringe benefits, etc.)

Meyer's third step involves the calculation of total labor costs, including fringe benefits. The payroll period and job description are recorded. Under this heading, the employee's name, labor class, base hours, premium hours, base wage rate, total wages, percentage of fringe benefits, total fringe benefits, and the sum of wages and fringe benefits are recorded. With this information, the total labor cost is calculated.

With respect to equipment costs, the type of equipment used, dates used, hours, total hours, hourly rate, and total cost are recorded to obtain the total equipment cost.

Meyer indicates that, "equipment rates also require careful attention. The actual cost of operating a piece of equipment on an hourly basis is not only the cost of the fuel and lubrication but also the initial cost of the equipment (including overhead and depreciation); overhaul costs; repairs; and replacement of expendable items such as tracks, blades, and tires. All of the latter are amortized over the

useful life of the equipment. These rates may be obtained specifically from maintenance records on each individual piece of equipment... Again, some judgment must be used in applying these rates to a particular piece of equipment to assure that they are reasonable." (The need for this calculation within public agencies must be emphasized. The Putnam County Public Works Department, itself, is just now developing a valid plan for replacement, as will be seen later on in the study.

With respect to material costs, the date, quantity used, unit cost, and total cost are recorded to obtain total material costs.

According to Meyer, "material costs are simply the cost of all materials used on the job as delivered to the jobsite."

With the preceeding information, one may calculate total job costs as the sum of labor, equipment, and material costs. This figure is divided by the total level of production, which may be in cubic yards, as in the gravel operation example, to obtain the unit cost per cubic yard.

"This value may be used several ways. First of all, this unit cost may be used to decide if it is cheaper to manufacture gravel (or make asphalt) in-house or buy it directly from a supplier... Delivery costs may play an important part in this decision."

"The resulting unit rate may also be used as a comparison of variables in the operation itself. For example, a larger piece of equipment or additional men may speed production but at the cost of increased hourly rates. Does the added productivity justify the increased cost? A comparison of the resulting rates will tell."

"These unit rates may also be used in estimating the cost of providing a known quantity of gravel and the time and resources

necessary to do so." (See Appendix II-A for Meyer's article in its entirety.)

It was decided that in contacts with the Putnam County Public Works Department the attempt would be made to determine how closely aligned the Department was with a cost analysis framework such as that outlined by Meyer, and what recommendations could be made in the development of a more accurate cost-accounting and control system.

Emphasis on Contracting-Out

It was noted that a number of studies and publications received, emphasize the benefits of contracting-out.

For example, the State of Virginia has prepared a study where it is indicated that some states such as Arizona and Iowa, have received orders from their legislatures to investigate the possibility of "contracting out" for maintenance work as an alternative to doing the work in-house. This concern has surfaced due to the serious budget constraint that many state highway agencies are facing. "The budget constraint is really twofold. First, revenues are either declining in the nominal sense or are not increasing rapidly enough to offset inflation, and, second, as highway systems get older, maintenance expenditures become an increasing share of the budget. With such pressures, highway administrators and legislators are looking for ways to either cut costs or operate more efficiently. One avenue being pursued is the potential for contracting certain maintenance functions."

There also exist publications such as a newsletter on the "Private Supply of Public Services" which is circulated by the Institute for Private Sector Public Services, and which is located in Grants Pass,

Oregon. In the July/August 1982 issue, there is a segment which refers to a city of 22,000 in Lafayette, California, which in July, 1977 began contracting with Roy Jorgensen and Associates, Inc., "engineering and management functions." Since this new development, the city of Lafayette has witnessed "significant cost savings."

At the federal level the emphasis is on contracting out, as well. In an article entitled, "Contracting Out - A Mandate for Efficiency and Economy in Public Construction," written by the National Construction Industry Council located in Washington, D.C., it is indicated that, "since 1955, the government's policy has been to rely on contractors in the private sector to provide the goods and services it needs to act on the public's behalf."

The cornerstone of this policy of reliance on free enterprise is Office of Management and Budget (CMB) Circular A-76, 'Policies for Acquiring Commercial and Industrial Products and Services Needed by the Covernment.' This policy 1) reaffirms the government's general policy of reliance on the private sector for goods and services, while recognizing that 2) certain functions are inherently governmental in nature and must be performed by governmental personnel, and 3) relative cost must be given appropriate consideration in decisions between in-house performance and reliance on private commercial sources.

Under the Circular agencies are required to inventory their in-house commercial and industrial activities and establish schedules for periodic review. When appropriate, cost comparisons must be conducted of these activities to determine the most economical source of performance - contracted out or in-house.

The Construction Industry Force Account Council, (CIFAC), which is a statewide (California) labor-management coalition, has prepared a Force Account Manual - "A Definition of Force Account and an Outline of Steps to Bring it Under Control." Another organization within the State

of California which is involved with the force account issue is the Construction Industry Research Board which is supported by grants from the Construction Industry Advancement Fund of Southern California, the Fund for Construction Industry Advancement, and the California Construction Advancement Program. The Construction Industry Research Board has prepared a "Supplement to CIFAC Force Account Manual" for the Construction Industry Force Account Council which incorporates force account limits and competitive bidding requirements in city charters and state laws.

A videotape entitled, "Lazy DOT Crew", which was shown on the WJXT, (Jacksonville), evening news on April 1, 1983 was received. The audio portion of the tape is as follows:

It took a six man Department of Transportation crew six hours
Thursday to replace this eight foot section of curb...What they did't
know was they were working outside our office windows...

This is how the crew spent most of their day...Although we didn't begin taking pictures until 1:45...

Little had changed by 2:15.

By 2:45 it was time for a water break and a wave to passerbys.

At 3:15 the discussion moved to the rear of the truck...

And at 3:30, it was time to call it a day.

Out of curiousty, we called a private contractor...His estimate for the same job...Two men, three hours, a hundred and fifty dollars. The state's cost was at least 300 dollars. We also took our video tape to the Director of DOT Maintenance.

The problem is not isolated...The DOT receives regular complaints from all over the state...It is one reason why the state hired a new

maintenance engineer six months ago.

SOT: W.M. Hilliard

State MIC Director.

Those procedures include increased contracting with private enterprise...Sending crews to repair known potholes instead of sending them out to look for problems...And a hiring freeze so fewer people do more work.

SOT: Hilliard

The state spent twice what this job should have cost...There is no estimate on how much money is wasted on similar jobs.

# STEP 2 - GENERAL GROUNDWORK/CONTACTING THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARIMENT

As it was one of the intents of our Force Account Pilot Project to examine public project productivity and to develop a methodology for doing so, the Public Works Department in East Palatka was contacted to ascertain whether it was possible to obtain a listing of itemized expenses, with respect to road construction work performed by governmental employees, which could then be compared to contract construction.

The Department indication was that contract construction information was fed into their computer, and that the Department was in the process of putting in-house construction work information on their computer, as well. It was indicated that in-house construction expenses had been recorded by an individual within the Road Department. An initial interview was conducted with this individual in an attempt to gain some insight into the cost recording and accounting system of the Public Works Department and so that appropriate directions for research could be ascertained.

In the course of the interview, it was discovered that in the past, reports related to labor, materials, and equipment were kept that were not thorough. (one element lacking was usable physical units.) With respect to equipment, if gas is required, the amount of gas is recorded. The type of work is recorded, as well as location, along with road name and the corresponding number of hours. For materials, number of loads and "to" and "from" are recorded. Notice that road mileage is not posted, nor is quantity of materials used, or what laborers physically do. (See Appendix II-B for reporting forms

used by the Putnam County Public Works Department.) There also existed a backlog of in-house construction work data (from 1981) which had not yet been recorded.

In the course of the interview it was determined that the asphalt plant which until recently had been operated by the Public Works

Department was almost worn out. A number of pieces of equipment were worn out, as well. (Some pieces were purchased in the 1950's.)

With respect to cost recording, equipment rates and material price data sheets are referred to. The recording system is rather outdated, as it was stated that the same equipment price list had been used from 1974 until 1/82. Also, in 1974 the asphalt price was \$4.90/ton and was only recently increased to \$30.00/ton.

Their cost recording on sheets such as found on Cove Road, (see Appendix II-B), for equipment use are only as accurate as the price found on their equipment sheet is to actual cost. Their material prices for in-house produced materials, (asphalt), is only as accurate as their material price list is to actual cost. Only invoiced materials and rented equipment costs are truly accurate.

The Director of the Public Works Department, Mr. Barry M. Harriss, was encountered briefly at which time he indicated that the Department recently decided to terminate most force account work on new construction. The Director felt that if they were going to build roads, then road construction was to be first priority, making other public works functions secondary. This was not decided on as the goal of the Putnam County Public Works Department. In other words, there should be devotion to construction work only, or it should be "contracted out." Their own employees primarily do patching work now.

## STEP 3 - DETERMINING TRENDS IN FORCE ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES/CONTACTING THE PUTNAM COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT

It was the intent of this project to not only examine public project productivity and to develop a methodology for doing so, but to obtain information about, "current force account expenditures for the governmental body" and "trends in force account expenditures." In this regard, the Putnam County Finance Department was contacted. It was determined that in the Putnam County Board of Commissioners Appropriation and Expenditure Report, there exists the Road and Bridge Fund, which includes sections for Engineering and Roads and Bridges, the Transportation Trust Fund, which includes expenditures from the 5th and 6th Cent Gas Tax, and the Federal Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, which may include a section for Roads and Bridges. It was indicated by a Finance Officer of Putnam County that approximately 80% of the expenditures from the Engineering Sections and 90% of the expenditures from the Roads and Bridges Sections of both the Road and Bridge Fund and the Federal Revenue Sharing Trust Fund are for work done in-house. Almost 100% of the expenditures from the Transportation Trust Fund are utilized for the purpose of contracting out road construction work.

The "line items" in the Engineering section of the Road and Bridge Fund include; Regular Salaries and Wages; Social Security Matching; Retirement Contributions; Life and Health Insurance; Contract Services; Travel and Per Diem; Transportation; Rentals and Leases; Repair and Maintenance Service; Printing and Binding; Other Current Charges and Obligations; Office Supplies; Operating Supplies; Books, Publications, Subscriptions, and Memberships; and Machinery and Equipment.

The "line items" in the Roads and Bridges section include;

Superintendant Salary; Regular Salaries and Wages; Social Security
Matching; Retirement Contributions; Life and Health Insurance;
Professional Services; Other Contractual Services; Travel and Per Diem;
Communications; Transportation; Utility Services; Rentals and Leases;
Repair and Maintenance Service; Other Current Charges and Obligations;
Office Supplies; Operating Supplies; Road Materials and Supplies; Books,
Publications, Subscriptions, and Memberships; Buildings; Machinery and
Equipment.

The approximate levels of in-house expenditures for the period 9/30/77 through 9/30/82 are as follows:

9/30/77 - \$1,335,281.41

9/30/78 - \$1,592,960.19

9/30/79 - \$1,540,693.84

9/30/80 - \$1,740,360.87

9/30/81 - \$1,866,427.76

9/30/82 - \$2,060,210.37

(See Appendix II-C for Appropriation and Expenditure Reports and a bar graph which displays expenditure levels for work done in-house, work contracted out, and total expenditure levels, for the years 1977 through 1982.)

## STEP 4 - ATTEMPTING TO INCORPORATE PHYSICAL UNITS/CONTACTING THE BOOKKEEPER OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARIMENT

After having obtained the Expenditure Reports from the Finance Department, the Public Works Department was contacted again to determine if any comprehensive reports were kept with respect to physical units; e.g., how many miles of highway and bridges were constructed, how many ditches dug, how many tons of asphalt used, what laborers actually

physically do, etc. It was hoped that the reports which incorporated the physical aspects could somehow be coordinated with the "expenditure side." It would then be possible to compare this information with itemized expenses associated with contract construction and then some judgement be made with respect to public project productivity.

The indication from the bookkeeper was that the Public Works

Department does <u>not</u> have the type of detailed report that was needed.

They said they were, however, in the process of putting their data into a computer system. This led to inquiries concerning the forthcoming change to computer operation.

### STEP 5 - CONTACTING THE DATA PROCESSING DEPARIMENT OF PUTNAM COUNTY

Charlie Noah, of the Data Processing Department of Putnam County, was contacted. He is an integral part of the new system. This system involves putting the road maintenance data into a computer for the Public Works Department.

He indicated that the new computerized system is in the developmental stage. There is a data base for all roads, with detailed descriptions. The new computerized system includes maintenance costs, not costs for road construction. There exists a Master Record and Detail Data.

The Master Record includes items such as county commission district and number, road name, two alternate names, subdivision, commission jurisdiction, date accepted, type of acceptance, data concerning legal status, subdivision number, fire district, length of road, year to date maintenance costs, costs two years ago, benchmark to mark beginning of road, and direction road takes.

Within the computerized system, the Detailed Data includes the

following three items:

- 1) One record for each benchmark.
- 2) Surface, width, and curving of road.
- Maintenance data including what type, what done, cost, beginning and ending mile, total miles of road, what type of material used - sand, clay, etc., cost for each commission district, total number of miles for how many maintained with corresponding cost.

(It was found that the Public Works Department is not trying to develop accurate cost control records through the computer. Nor does there exist appropriate quantitative, physical information relative to maintenance.)

Within the course of the conversation, Charlie Noah indicated that the Public Works Department of Putnam County was modelling their new data processing system with that in Travis County, Texas.

## STEP 6 - CONTACTING THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARIMENT OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

The Transportation Department of Travis County, Texas was, therefore, contacted and the following information was received: A copy of an article in the <u>Public Works Magazine</u> for May, 1983 written by Tom Spoonts, Transportation Administrator, which outlines their computer system; a copy of their menu screens; and the documentation manual for their Univac 90/80 system use.

The article in the Public Works Magazine, which outlines the Travis County computer system, indicates that initially the "existing record system (much of which was never documented)" was studied with the intent of "putting together a system that was completely documented, accurate, readily accessible, expandable (for maintenance input), and available in some form to various precinct staffs as well as county

engineering personnel."

"Existing records were studied for accuracy and updated. This entailed putting all available recorded information into one master file. Indepth field studies were then started. Every mile of the county road system was driven and the following information logged: number and type of drainage structures, existing official signing, road length, traffic striping (existing and needed), right-of-way width and pavement width, type of roadway base, and type of roadway surface."

"Each road was assigned a distinct six-digit number which identified its location in the county by road atlas sheet number."

"The average daily traffic figure was obtained from state highway department files and put into the master file."

"After analyzing the quantity of information desired to be recorded, it was decided to go with a computer record system. As Travis County already had a computer system at its courthouse complex, the only requirement was the installation of video terminals in the county engineering department and the development of computer programs (software) to process the road records."

"There are four basic information programs used currently in the system": Find Road Number by Name Search, Display General Road Record, Display Maintenance History Record, Display Traffic Record.

Under "Find Road By Name Search... all road information is stored under the unique number for each road. If that road number is not known, it can be found by the use of this program."

Under "Display General Road Record" the following information is displayed on the video terminal:

- 1) Road number.
- 2) Road length in miles (to the nearest hundredth).

- 3) Other names by which the road is referred to.
- 4) Precinct number where road starts.
- 5) Tax map number (which is also aerial photograph number).
- 6) City of Austin grid map number.
- 7) Sherriff's patrol district number (for locating fire, police, and ambulance emergencies).
- 8) Description of the beginning and ending locations.
- 9) Right-of-way widths (three figures: minimum, maximum, and mode).
- 10) Road condition number (composite number from 1 to 100 for comparison with other roads in the same precinct).
- 11) Subdivision name (if road is in a subdivision.)
- 12) Number of bridges.
- 13) Pavement types, curb types, and surface widths (for up to five mileage segments).
- 14) Legal status of road.
- 15) City or village (if road starts there and runs into county).
- 16) Whether or not road is accepted by county for maintenance and what type of maintenance (for up to five mileage segments).
- 17) Plat record book and page number for up to four parcels of deed or dedication.

Under "Display Maintenance History Record... up to 100 different maintenance operations can be coded into the record for individual mileage segments of roadway when maintenance work is done. This program displays the last ten records of maintenance work done on the road. A simple coding system describing the type of maintenance was devised to be kept by the precinct offices so that regular updating of maintenance records on the computer would be done easily."

The "Display Traffic Record... program displays up to five traffic counts by date and mileage segment along a road."

(See Appendix II-D for information received by the Transportation Department of Travis County, Texas.)

## STEP 7 - INTERVIEW WITH MR. BARRY M. HARRISS, DIRECTOR OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Having obtained preliminary information concerning the implementation of the new computerized system at the Putnam County Public Works Department, and procured a thorough account of the forms and reports that were filled out by the Road Department, it was decided that Mr. Barry M. Harriss, Director of the Putnam County Public Works Department, would be interviewed. It was hoped that Mr. Harriss could provide further information with respect to the Public Works Department cost recording and cost accounting system, and the forthcoming movement from manual recording of maintenance data to a computerized system.

When interviewed, Mr. Harriss was questioned about the forthcoming movement from manual recording of maintenance data to a computerized system. The indication was that, presently, they do not have documentation, but rather simply an explanation of what the program will do. The Public Works Department has been working with the computer for one year and they are now beginning to refine their input.

There is, however, no designation of work contracted out versus work done in-house. Presently, the Department is trying to get a handle on information such as, how many roads they have, where they are, how long they are, what surface type they have, what kind of maintenance they require. The plan was to establish a general information data base.

Maintenance data in the past has been recorded manually by the

Road Department. It is Mr. Harriss' intent to refine this system. The information had been kept on record cards as turned in. The type of information recorded comes from Equipment Use Reports, which were referred to earlier. With respect to labor expenses, for instance, the laborer's name and number of hours worked are obtained from these reports and his hourly rate of pay according to his labor classification is looked up in a table. The calculation is done independently from their payroll calculation, which is done from time books turned in bi-weekly by the Supervisors to the bookkeeper, who transmits the information to the Payroll Department, which makes out the paychecks. There is no indication of what the laborer did or how many miles of road were worked on. This type of recording system is very unproductive, however, according to Mr. Harriss, as the county has only a recording system, rather than a cost accounting system.

The Director stated that there exists a uniform accounting system throughout the State of Florida which is broken into functional categories. The indication was that the "line items" are too general and the system is very poor.

The Director indicated that when the new system becomes more sophisticated he would like data to become incorporated into the framework daily so that he would know how much he spent, and, therefore, be able to quote more accurate prices in the future. He would like the computer to do a sorting function related to how much the Department spent on other roads, in order that he could determine how much he accomplished and how much it cost. This could then be used in presentations to the commission.

Mr. Harriss indicated that the first step had been implemented in the new computerized system - namely, an inventory listing of what roads they have. He would then like to find out which ones are paved, which ones are not, and the length of the latter, for that determines what type of maintenance one needs.

Mr. Harriss stated that roads were initiated into the maintenance system by popular vote of the Commission. When a road is incorporated into the county maintenance system, a resolution is passed along with a legal description. This description, however, does not include, length, width, statement of right-of-way zones of the county, nor how wide the road is. This is the type of information, though, that Mr. Harriss would like to have access to.

It was indicated that since he went to work for the Public Works Department two years ago, the system that had been entrenched has been changed.

In "the regime" preceeding Mr. Harriss, the Public Works

Department owned and operated its own asphalt plant and did both new

road construction work and maintenance work.

The decision to shut it down was made by both Mr. Harriss and the Commission, because of demands placed on the Road Department to do "odd jobs" in addition to new road construction work; very often the Road Department was diverted from its "main mission" of building roads. When resources were pulled away from the building of new roads a number of people would become dissatisfied and the Public Works Department was apt to get a reputation for doing slow work.

Mr. Harriss, in conjunction with the Commission made a conscious decision to stop building roads with public employees. He indicated that any new roads that needed to be paved should be done with an outside contractor.

(The asphalt plant was recently offered for sale at auction. The high bid on it was \$3,000, which is scrap metal value. The Board and Mr. Harriss declined to sell at that price. There have been several ideas advanced about the possibility of leasing the plant to a private individual or firm; and for that entity to make asphalt and sell it to the county.)

He was also able to get the commission to agree to "contract out" for engineering services. The company that was selected was put on retainer to avoid the repetitive bidding and selection process.

Since the movement to "contracting out" for services, Mr. Harriss has noticed a marked improvement in his own men's work, with part of the improvement being due to a reduced dependence on both the weather, (new road construction work is very weather-dependent), and utilization of the Department's own equipment. Mr. Harriss is now doing considerable thinking about contracting outside for garbage waste collection services.

Mr. Harriss indicated that much of their equipment was "worn out," and that there did not exist a replacement procedure. That is, there was no financial planning system for county equipment. Thus, equipment was bought and utilized until it was worn out, and then an often futile attempt would be made to justify an increase in the allocation of funds to the Public Works Department to replace the equipment.

With respect to equipment costs, Mr. Harriss has an informal rule that with lease purchased equipment over \$10,000, three percent of the purchase price is calculated over 48 months in order that the budget is not depleted.

When questioned about whether he has any departmental cost reports

engineering or project estimates in the planning stage, Mr. Harriss indicated that he consults the Nielson Data Quest Blue Book for equipment costs. He has a subscription for a year and may obtain an updated version every five years. He feels that he does not need to refine the data any better. An effort is being made to incorporate that data into what the Road Department is doing and including it in the computer system for estimating purposes. At the present time, they are attempting to enable the computer to accept the data. The data collection process will ensue.

The indication was that they are just now developing the data base of the computerized roadway maintenance system, and have not yet reached the point where that system incorporates cost.

One difficulty encountered by the Public Works Department is the non-existence of a valid cost accounting system. Thus, the Department does not have cost information beyond "normal maintenance", unless the work is "contracted out."

Mr. Harriss indicated that the difficulty is not with collecting the data but rather where to put it. He also stated that there does not exist a "breakdown" of the data necessary to make cost comparisons.

According to Mr. Harriss, if an effective cost accounting system were in place, there would be a place to put the data he has access to.

The Director was asked if in a quote for a road the "labor burden" is incorporated, as in the contractor's quotation. Mr. Harriss' response was that he estimates direct labor and adds 35% for retirement, vacation time, FICA, fringe benefits, etc. With respect to material costs, he adds 10% for handling, getting the materials to the jobsite, moving them around once they are there, supervision, etc. The Blue

Book, as indicated, is consulted in determining equipment costs.

The Putnam County Public Works Department has a special dispensation to do construction projects larger than \$50,000 with their own forces, about which we inquired. Mr. Harriss indicated that there is a statute which specifies that any roadwork over \$50,000 published by counties should be contracted in a competitive setting. A former Putnam County property appraiser went to see the then Governor Rueben Askew to see if it would be possible to have the county exempt from this statute and build its own roads. The appraiser indicated that the county has its own asphalt plant with capable people to operate it, is not located near any population centers, and cannot, therefore, attract the "big city" contractors to build their roads for any price within reason. A special bill was, therefore, passed which allowed the county to build its own roads. (As indicated earlier, the Public Works Department is currently minimally involved in new road construction business due to dissatisfaction with progress and productivity.)

#### STEP 8 - DAY-ON-THE-JOB STUDY

On July 12, 1983, Michele La Morte and G. Arlan Toy appeared before the Putnam County Board of Commissioners. The request was made to view the Putnam County Public Works Department crew at work for a day. Permission was granted by the Board.

A "day-on-the-job" study was conducted in an effort to gain first-hand knowledge of the working patterns of a Putnam County Public Works Department crew. It was also hoped that all records, including daily time book, equipment use reports, labor cost reports, etc., from the beginning of the bridge job could be collected to determine the effectiveness of the Department's recording system, and to be able to

compare in-house unit prices with typical unit prices used by a contractor.

The Public Works Department crew was observed working on the Bannerville Road Bridge, Project #830535, located in Putnam County, (four miles west of Palatka, six miles north from that point, and three miles out Bannerville Road), on July 21, 1983.

The bridge is a treated pole structure with treated  $8 \times 8$  pile caps,  $4 \times 12$  stringers,  $3 \times 8$  decking, with deck runners and handrails. There are four support sets of four piles per support.

When viewed at 7:30 a.m. on July 21, 1983, the project had the four support sets each with a pile cap across it and the retaining piles for wing walls driven at either end. The excavation was not complete and there was a temporary filled road on the north side of the structure.

Before the crew arrived, the following photographs were taken of the jobsite:

- 1. East End
- 2. Center Two Supports
- 3. West End
- 4. Southwest Corner
- 5. Northwest Corner
- 6. Top East End
- 7. Temporary Culvert at West End

When work was completed for the day, photographs were taken from the same locations to note progress levels.

(See Appendix II-E for photographs.)

The crane operator arrived at the jobsite at 7:45 a.m. in a Putnam

County Road Department Little Giant, Number 48, with a ½ yard bucket in dragline set-up.

At 8:30 a.m. the men had not arrived yet. The crane was still sitting in the same position with the operator waiting for the crew from the Public Works Department.

Three members of the crew arrived at 8:39 a.m. At 8:42 a.m. a Ford pick-up truck, Number 49, arrived with the remaining two crew members.

At 8:47 a.m., the crane moved into position and everyone prepared to begin work.

Jim Taylor, the Supervisor, said they would be aligning the piles and attaching the pile caps.

At 9:35 a.m., the crew was setting up to straighten the southmost pile on support number two, or the west center support. (See Appendix II-E for photograph #8.)

The crew then continued to spike the pile cap to piles. (See Appendix II-E for photograph #9.)

At 9:47 a.m., the crew was setting up to straighten second to southmost pile on support number three.

The crew then began spiking pile cap to third pile.

At 10:07 a.m., the crew was setting up to straighten second to northmost pile on support number four. (See Appendix II-E for photograph #10.)

(The crane was used throughout to pull and align the piles underneath.)

The crew then began spiking the pile cap to fourth pile, worked with the layout, and did some stringlining for the stringers.

At 10:20 a.m., the crew took a break which lasted until 10:35 a.m. At 10:37 a.m. the Dragline began operating with the bucket pulling back the dirt on the north side of the bridge and the south side of the temporary roadway. (See Appendix II-E for photograph #11.) This was done at this time because access was going to be closed off by placing of the stringers. The rest of the crew began placing stringers.

During these few minutes a maintenance truck arrived - Chevrolet flatbed with a fuel tank on back. The man inside talked with the crane operator.

At 10:54 a.m., the crew was unloading stringers to put on the bridge supports.

At 10:57 a.m., the crane operator stopped his Dragline clearing of the southbank of the roadway.

At 11:00 a.m., the Supervisor and one of the laborers were working on the third bridge support. Two crew members were watching. The crane operator was by the crane, which was not in operation. Another member of the crew was by the crane, as well.

At 11:15 a.m., the crew had a water break. The crew looked at plans and talked about materials which were due to arrive the following Monday.

At 11:20 a.m., the diesel fuel truck left after refueling the Little Giant.

At 11:27 a.m., there was radio communication between the Supervisor of the crew and Mr. Barry M. Harriss about a problem with the setting of the stringers on the girder. The entire crew waited for the results of the discussion. The resolution of the problem involved partial nailing with permanent splicing later.

At 11:30 a.m., the crew began working with the stringers again.

At 11:34 a.m., the crew began unloading stringers, (see Appendix II-E for photograph #12), and the crane was mobilized. It moved back closer to unload the stringers.

At 11:47 a.m., the crane began hoisting six stringers over onto the first and second supports. (This was more efficient than doing it manually).

At 11:50 a.m., two crew members continue to place stringers.

At 11:51 a.m., there was a lunch break, and the crane moved back out of the roadway.

The crew started back to work at 12:30 p.m., and continued to set stringers over third and fourth supports. The crane was mobilized and began clearing the northside of the road, east of the bridge.

At 12:45 p.m., the crew set bracing boards perpendicular to the stringers.

At 12:50 p.m., the crew set stringers on the first and second supports.

At 12:52 p.m., the crane stopped operating. The operator had finished cleaning out under the bridge.

At 1:05 p.m., the Supervisor and four men set boards perpendicular across stringers on first and second supports. Crane was still stopped.

At 1:23 p.m., the crew was repacking the shim shingles and the tools, and the men were all around the Supervisor's truck. Crane was sitting idle.

At 1:30 p.m., the Supervisor told us the crew would be quitting for the day soon. (See Appendix II-E for photographs #13-19.) The flagging was set up. The crane was on site.

The crew took a break and at 2:00 p.m., the crane and materials truck were leaving the site for the yard, with the Supervisor packing to go.

It was noted that most often there were only two members of the crew working on the bridge, while the other members provided support or waited.

It was also noted that the Supervisor's Ford pick-up truck ran all day because he had to have his two-way radio on, and he did not want the battery to run down.

During a break, the Supervisor indicated to us that private industry could do the work faster than his crew, for the former has the appropriate equipment, and can, therefore, get the job done rather quickly. The Supervisor also indicated that it was the first time that any of the crew had built a bridge, with the exception of the Dragline operator.

(See Appendix II-F for analysis of Bannerville Bridge Project.)

STEP 9 - SENDING QUESTIONNAIRES TO ASPHALT PAVING COMPANIES IN PALATKA

In order to obtain the "industry perspective" with respect to prices of quantifiable amounts of material, equipment rental costs, indirect cost considerations, cost accounting procedures, etc., questionnaires were sent to seven Asphalt Paving Companies in Palatka. Only one answered questionnaire was received, which does not produce a valid sample from which to draw conclusions. (See Appendix II-G for questionnaire.)

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APPENDIX II-A

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FIGURE 2. Calculation of fringe benefits.

## Cost Analysis in Public Works Decision-Making

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OMPUTING actual costs of construction operations is important to public works departments in this period of deteriorating facilities and shrinking budgets. Contractors have performed these calculations for many years for two primary reasons: to check that a profit is realized on each activity and to serve as a reference for future bid estimates. Such estimates can also be used to advantage by public works departments.

Cost analysis (sometimes referred to as cost control, cost accounting, or cost engineering) as used in this article refers to assigning unit rates to a repetitive construction operation. Unit rate can be defined as a cost per individual quantity of construction progress. For example, erection of formwork for concrete would be on a cost per square foot basis: pouring concrete, on a cost per cubic yard; and mowing grass might be on a cost per acre basis. In these calculations 'costs" are the total of all labor. equipment, and material associated with the operation under consideration.

From this definition of unit rates we get a clue as to how such rates are calculated. Let us suppose it costs \$3,000 in labor, equipment, and materials to place 20 cubic yards of concrete. The unit rate of placing this concrete was \$3,000 (total cost) divided by 20 cubic yards (total progress) or \$150 per cubic yard.

In the public sector, cost information can be used in a number of ways. Unit rates can be employed as a basis of judging crew efficiency. (For example, one particular crew may be more proficient at placing concrete than another crew and therefore achieve a much lower rate.) Cost analysis may also be used as a basis of deciding whether a given project (or operation) should be let to contract or performed by municipal forces. Finally, unit rates of various operations may be used to estimate costs in budgetary planning for future projects. As a by-product derived from the calculation of construction costs, a manager also becomes keenly aware of the time elements involved in various construction activities and those factors that directly affect their costs. This awareness is a prerequisite in improving crew efficiency and the accurate scheduling of future activities.

Raw cost data (labor, equipment, and materials used in a particular activity) can be obtained in several ways. One method is to have each foreman carefully account for each of these categories and the actual progress made on a daily basis. This can usually be noted quite easily on the same form that contains daily payroll information.

Another method is to have a general foreman note this same information in a diary or daily work record based on his regular contact with the operation.

In either case, efforts should be made to ensure that the information obtained is accurate since the result of the cost calculations will be only as accurate as the raw data used.

### Example

To illustrate how cost information can be calculated and used in public works decision-making, let us take an example of a typical operation.

Suppose a municipality has set up its own gravel operation. Based on information from the foreman's time card, we find that it took four men. five pieces of equipment, and 420 cubic yards of raw material to generate 350 cubic yards of finished gravel. We will assume raw material costs of \$2.00 per cubic yard. (All figures are solely for illustrative purposes.)

The first step in this calculation is to compile the raw data on one form. This is shown in Figure 1.

Next, the fringe benefits are determined and added to the base labor rate. (In the public sector, fringe benefits are usually a significant portion of labor costs.) The scope of the calculation of fringe benefits is dependent upon the variation of benefits within the crew. In other words, if the fringe benefits are relatively uniform from man to man within the department. the percent of fringe benefits may be calculated on a departmental basis and then applied to the base labor cost. Conversely, if there is a wide variation in benefits from man to man (as in New York State, for example, where retirement benefits are divided into three separate tiers with a fairly large variation from tier to tier)

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■ FIGURE 3. Labor costs, including fringe benefits.

or if labor costs are a substantial portion of the operation's cost (labor intensive), then the percentage of fringe benefits should be calculated on an individual basis. Although it may seem prohibitive to perform these calculations on a per-man level, once the calculation is done, it can be used until wages or benefits change.

The method of calculating fringe benefit percentages is shown in Figure 2. Figure 3 shows the application of fringe benefits and base labor rates to arrive at a total labor cost.

Equipment rates also require careful attention. The actual cost of operating a piece of equipment on an hourly basis is not only the cost of the fuel and lubrication but also the initial cost of the equipment (including overhead and depreciation), overhaul costs; repairs; and replacement of expendable items such as tracks. blades, and tires. All of the latter are amortized over the useful life of the equipment. These rates may be obtained specifically from maintenance records on each individual piece of equipment or generally, from a source such as one of the references listed at the end of this article. Again, some judgment must be used in applying these rates to a particular piece of equipment to assure that they are reasonable.

Material costs are simply the cost of all materials used on the job as delivered to the jobsite.

Working through our example shown in Figures 1 through 4, the following totals have been calculated: \$313.30 in labor, \$840.00 in materials, and \$561.00 in equipment for a total of \$1.714.30 to produce 350 cubic yards of usable gravel. Dividing the total cost by the production (see Figure 4), we obtain a unit cost of \$4.90 per cubic yard.

This value may be used several ways. First of all, this unit cost may be used to decide if it is cheaper to manufacture gravel in-house or to buy it directly from a supplier. Remember that delivery costs may play an important part in this decision.

The resulting unit rate may also be used as a comparison of variables in the operation itself. For example, a larger piece of equipment or additional men may speed production but at the cost of increased hourly rates. Does the added productivity justify the increased cost? A comparison of the resulting unit rates will tell.

These unit rates may also be used in estimating the cost or providing a known quantity of gravel and the time and resources necessary to do so.

#### Conclusion

Although arriving at unit costs for construction operations requires initiating a system of accounting for the various components that make up these costs, the installation and maintenance of this system is minimal when compared to its benefits.

A computer can be used to ease some of the calculations and to store information. However, as shown in the example, manual accounting and calculations can be readily performed.

As with any aid to decision-making, judgment must be exercised in using cost analysis. There is no need, for example, to calculate costs to the nearest penny if calculation to the nearest dollar suffices.

Faced by today's financial and physical conditions, public works managers are confronted with the task of trying to stretch manpower, material, and equipment beyond limits considered normal just a few years ago. Any system, such as cost analysis, which enables us to make our operations more efficient, more effective, and more productive, should certainly be considered.

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■ FIGURE 4. Summary totals equipment and material costs and computes unit rate.

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### APPENDIX II-B

Reporting forms used by the Putnam County Public Works Department

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2101	S113200.ACCOUNTING #	61,000.60	000	61,000,00	0	000
101	51134CO CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	8,476.00	000	8,476,60	00.	000*
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2101	5114200 TRANSPORTATION	69.44	0.5	15.26	29.43	45,854
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APPENDIX II-D

TRAVIS County, Texas is urbanizing rapidly. The county has an area of 1,040 square miles surrounding the capital city of Austin and a population of 416,315. The expanding county road system currently consists of about 1,500 miles.

Soon after he joined the county in 1975 as traffic engineer, David B. Preble, P.E., realized that a modern method of keeping road records was needed. Two employees of the engineering department, transportation analyst Joe Gieselman and the author, accepted the challenge of studying the existing record system (much of which was never documented) and putting together a system that was completely documented, accurate, readily accessible, expandable (for maintenance input), and available in some form to various precinct staffs as well as county engineering personnel.

Existing records were studied for accuracy and updated. This entailed putting all available recorded information into one master file. In-depth field studies were then started. Every mile of the country road system was driven and the following information logged: number and type of drainage structures, existing official signing, road length, traffic striping (existing and needed), right-of-way width and pavement width, type of roadway base, and type of roadway surface.

Each road was assigned a distinct six-digit number which identified its location in the county by road atlas sheet number. Travis County has an atlas containing 154 sheets of 1" to 1,000' scale drawings which map the entire county.

The average daily traffic figure was obtained from state highway department files and put into the master file. As this list of information grew, it became apparent that other related information such as the following would be useful:

- Sheriff's patrol district in which each roadway exists.
- Location of roadways with urban type concrete curbs.
- ◆ Legal status of the road private or public.
- ◆ How the right-of-way was acquired.
- Change in amount of traffic over the last six years.
- Condition of bridges and other drainage structures.
- Whether or not the roadway has officially been accepted for maintenance by the county.

After analyzing the quantity of information desired to be recorded, it was decided to go with a computer record system. As Travis County already had a computer system at its courthouse complex, the only re-

quirement was the installation of video terminals in the county engineering department and the development of computer programs (software) to process the road records. The cost of two video terminals was \$4,000 each with a yearly maintenance contract of \$350 each. In addition to providing access to the computer road and maintenance data programs, the terminals can also be used for other engineering functions.

The computer software for the road record system was developed by Travis County data processing center staff programmers and given the name "County Engineers System."

### TOM SPOONTS

Transportation Administrator, Travis County, Austin, Texas One very unique feature was incorporated into the system whereby not only the exact road name is pulled up on the video terminal for display, but roads with duplicate names and names which are of similar spelling or sound alike are also retrieved. There are four basic information programs used currently in the system.

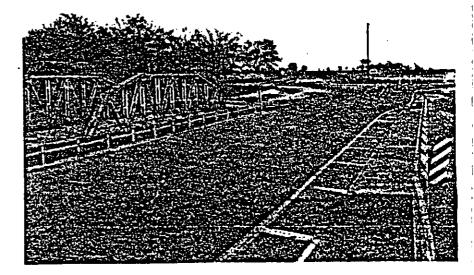
Find Road Number by Name Search. All road information is stored under the unique number for each road. If that road number is not known, it can be found by the use of this program. The road name is typed into the terminal Once this inquiry is entered, the terminal will display all similarly sounding names, all similarly spelled names, and all duplicate names of roads along with their precinct numbers, subdivision names (if any), and their distinct road numbers. which can then be entered to get additional information by one of the three remaining program options.

# Computerization Facilitates County Road Management

FIGURE 1. Program display for finding road number by name search.

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005261	NORTH PLACE	2		
003504	NORTH PENINSULAR DRIVE	2	SINGLETON SEND	
MG9607	NORTH DEND DRIVE	2	NORTH PARK ESTATES	
PQS735	NORTH PARK ORIVE	2		VIL
L09207	NORTH DAKS DRIVE	2		
065604	NORTH STREET	2	LAKE TRAVIS	• :
NOB904	NORTH SHIELDS DAIVE	2	NUKIH SHIELDS	
E07104	PORTH CHICHOLM LANE	3		
J07212	NORTH JAK CANYON ROAD	3	WESTLAKE HIGHLANDS	
LC4816	MORTE COURT	3	LAKEWAY	
M40000	NORTH DESSAU ROAD			
P05700	NORTH LAKEVIEW DRIVE	2	JONESTOWN HILLS	•
J 10 102	NORTHLAKE DRIVE	1	H R SMITH ADDITION	
KQS708	NORTH LAKELAND DRIVE	2	LAKELAND PARK	
L04828	NORTH EL DORADO	3	LAKEWAY ~	٠
F09600	NORWOOD LANE	4	BLUE BONNET GARDENS	
F 40700	HORWOOD LANE:	4		
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	ENTER 888 TO DISPLAY MORE			
	ENTER ROAD NUMBER M10000 !	NEXT OF	IDN 005 (#)	

■ BRIDGE replacement project on North Dessau Road, subject of the displays.



This program lets the operator see a range of similar names with pertinent information so that he can be sure the name typed in is the exact one he is looking for. See Figure 1 for this search program display.

Display General Road Record. This program must be called up by its distinct road number. If that is not known, it can be found by using the previous option "find road number by name search." Information displayed by the general road record on the video terminal is as follows:

- 1. Road number.
- 2. Road length in miles (to the nearest hundredth).
- 3. Other names by which the road is referred to.
- 4. Precinct number where road starts.
- 5. Tax map number (which is also our aerial photograph number).
  - 6. City of Austin grid map number.
- 7. Sheriff's patrol district number (for locating fire, police, and ambulance emergencies).
- 8. Description of the beginning and ending locations.
- 9. Right-of-way widths (three figures: minimum, maximum, and mode).

- 10. Road condition number (composite number from 1 to 100 for comparison with other roads in the same precinct.)
- 11. Subdivision name (if road is in a subdivision).
  - 12. Number of bridges.
- 13. Pavement types, curb types, and surface widths (for up to five mileage segments).
  - 14. Legal status of road.
- 15. City or village (if road starts there and runs into county).
- 16. Whether or not road is accepted by county for maintenance and what type of maintenance (for up to five mileage segments).
- 17. Plat record book and page number for up to four parcels of deed or dedication.

See Figure 2 for display of this general record.

Display Maintenance History Record. Up to 100 different maintenance operations can be coded into the record for individual mileage segments of roadway when maintenance work is done. This program displays the last ten records of maintenance work done on the road. A simple coding system describing the type of maintenance was devised to be kept by the precinct offices so that regular updating of maintenance records on the computer would be done easily. A maintenance history record is shown in Figure 3.

Display Traffic Record. This program displays up to five traffic counts by date and mileage segment along a road. This information, along with information from another computer system program, stores traffic accident data, and has helped satisfy requirements for acquiring federal matching funds for making roadway safety improvements.

### Use of the Automated System

Engineering personnel use the system to find various items of stored data. The real time-saver, however, is that the engineering department clerks or engineering secretary can answer telephone inquiries concerning roads and give out accurate information from the video terminal without having to transfer the call to one of the staff engineers. This saves the engineers' time, keeps the person making the inquiry from having to restate his needs a second time on the telephone, and gives the inquirer a fast and accurate answer to his gues-

In addition to the use of the video terminals in the engineering office, two computer hard copy printouts are made and combined into a booklet that gives a cross-index of road names and road numbers. One listing is an alphabetical listing of street names, the other is a numerical listing of street numbers. This cross-index can be used in place of the "find road number by search" program as the road name can be rapidly looked up alphabetically in the booklet to find the road number, which can then be entered into the proper computer program to show the desired informa-

The cross-index booklet is printed with columns of other information that are pertinent to precinct office personnel. This allows the booklet to be used both as a source of information in offices lacking a video terminal, and as a cross-index for video terminal users.

Hard copy printouts of the complete road record file can be printed for checking and updating information. One copy of this printout, sorted to contain only the roads in each of the four county precincts, is presented to each precinct commissioner for his or her use.

Part of the cost for conducting the survey to gather information for this system was funded through a Metropolitan Planning Grant from the Federal Highway Administration.

■ FIGURE 2. Display of general road record for North Dessau Road.

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# FIGURE 3. Maintenance history record for North Dessau Road.

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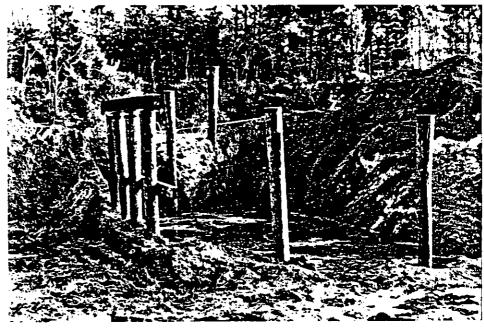
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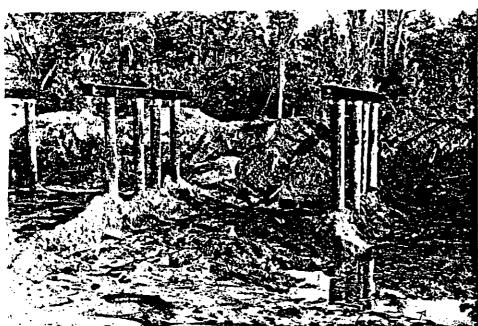
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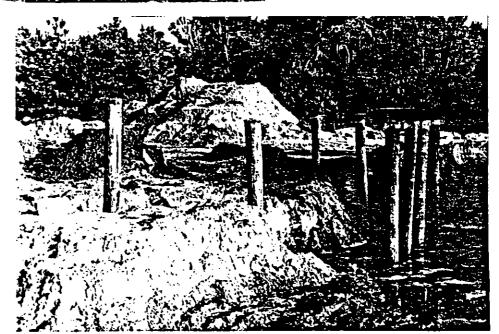
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Upper right: NORTHWEST CORNER

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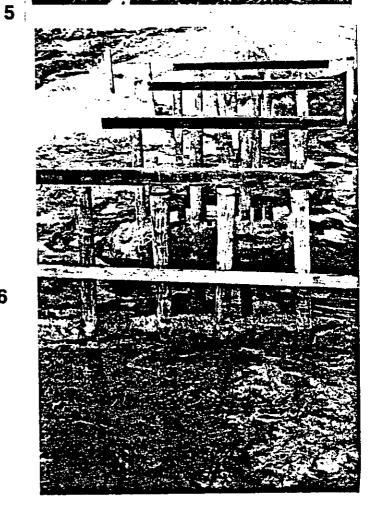
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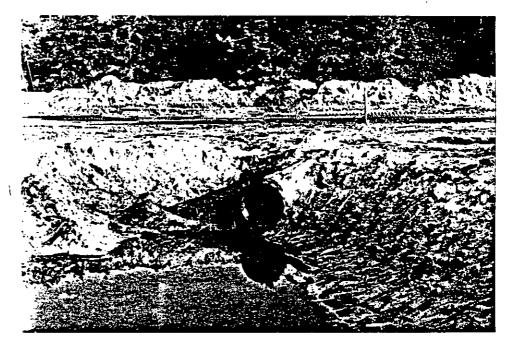
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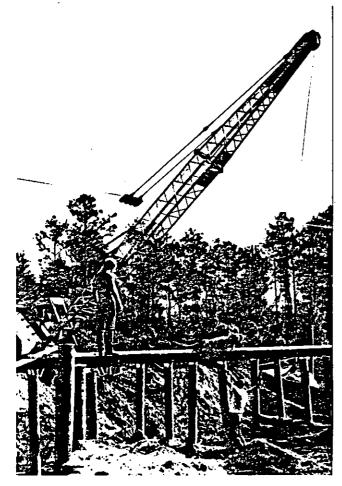
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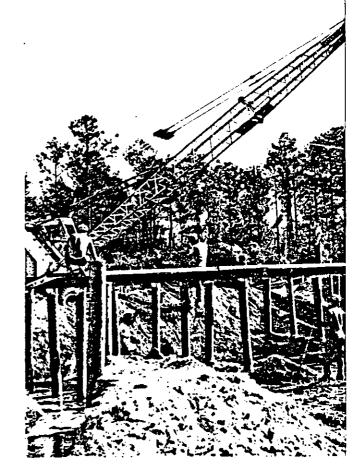


STRAIGHTENING PILE

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7/21/83



SPIKING THE PILE CAP

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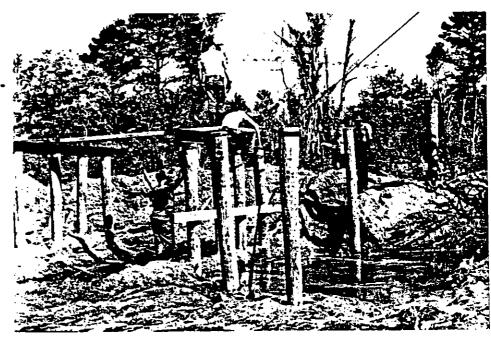
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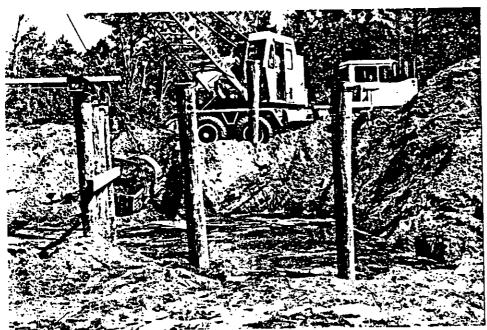
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TEMPORARY ROAD BANK

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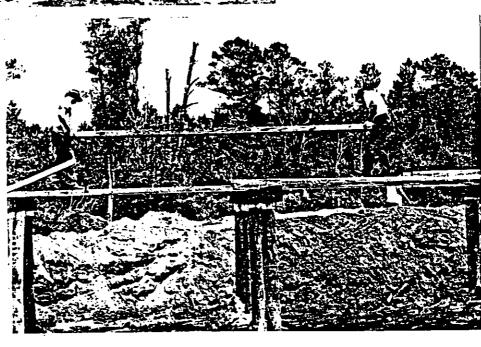
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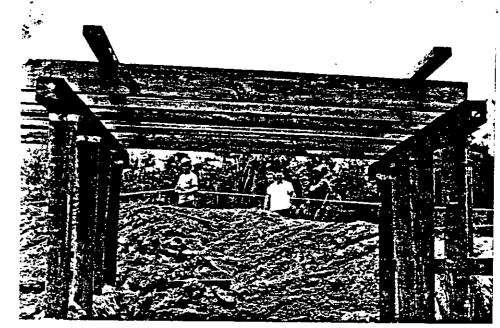
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EAST END
End of day
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End of day
7/21/83

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WEST END
End of day
7/21/83

**47** 

NORTHWEST CORNER End of day 7/21/83

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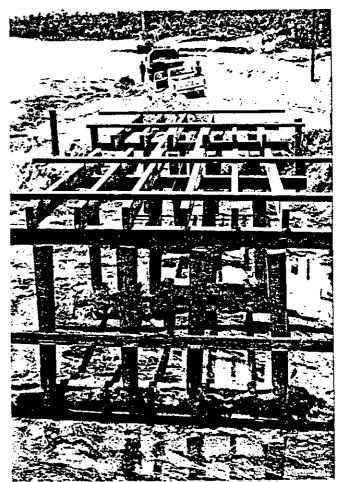


SOUTHWEST CORNER

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End of day

7/21/83



TOP EAST END

18

End of day

7/21/83

APPENDIX II-F

Analysis of Bannerville Bridge Project

#### BANNERVILLE PRIDGE PROJECT PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA JUNE - JULY 1983

What cost reporting that is done by the Putnam County Public Works
Department originates with the 'Equipment Use report' sheets as shown in
figure A. These two reports are typical of the reports turned in on the rest
of the Bannerville Bridge Project. For equipment they show identification,
fuel and lubricants necessary, speedometer or hour meter readings, a general
description of the type indicated and approval initials of Supervisor.

Labor, other than equipment operators, is shown on the Equipment Use Report
for the 'labor truck'. This report includes the date, truck identification,
lubricants, etc., speedometer reading, description of hauling activity
followed by hours worked, crew foreman signature with work time, and the
approval initials of the Supervisor.

With this being the source documentation for job costs, it is apparent that no breakdown of costs identifiable with specific job activities is possible. From the 'Equipment Use Reports' for the Bannerville Bridge only the roughest of cost comparison figures can be determined. The following were the only work activities for which cost comparison figures have been attempted.

- Removal of old culvert, reexcavation, replacement with new 24" culvert, backfill and regrading of road. June 1, 1983.
- 2. Driving the 20' long piles. July 12, 13, 14, and 18.
- Alligning piles and attaching pile caps, setting stringers. July
   the date of the 'day on the job study'.

#### CULVERT COST ANALYSIS

The June 1 Equipment Use Reports show the Little Giant, a D-7 Dozier, a Lo Boy for delivery of equipment, and the Labor truck with four laborers and a foreman on the job site for "ditch clearing, pushing out old culvert, putting in a new 24" culvert 40' long, and fixing road back over it."

The Labor and Equipment summaries in this Appendix show totals for direct job costs exclusive of supervisor of \$408.02 and \$1,507 respectively.

The direct cost total for this day's work is \$1,915. The culvert installed is shown in photograph in Appendix IIE. Walker's Building Estimator's Reference Book (21st Edition) was referred to in the development of the following analysis:

#### QUANTITIES:

Excavation:  $(6'+3') - 2 \times 3'h \times 40'1 - 27 = 20 \text{ cy}$ 

Backfill: 20 cy also; ignored culvert volume trim bottom of

ditch:  $3'w \times 40'1 = 120 \text{ sf}$ 

Culvert: 401f, 24"\$

#### ESTIMATED COSTS:

	QTY	L.UP	EQ UP	LABOR	EQUIP
SET UP AND DELIVERY:  Labor Truck  Travel Time (5 man crew LoBoy & Driver	1 day 7) 1.5 hr 5.33 hr	28.68 5.99	27.00 40.00	43.02 31.91	27.00
EXCAVATION: (1) Dragline & Operator	1.07 hr	7.26	64.00	7.77	68.00
(2) Trim bottom (5 man crew Place Culvert (crew) Dragline (crane)	7) 1 hr .75 hr	28.68 28.68		28.68 21.51	
with operator	.75 hr	7.26	64.00	5.45	48.00
BACKFILL: Dozier with operator	1 hr	9.44	116.00	9.44	116.00
(3) CLEARING DITCH LINES:  Dragline with operator Dozier with operator	6.93 hr 5.5 hr	7.26 9.44		55.76 51.92	396.00 639.00

BRIDGE FRAMING COST COMPARISON - (the day on the job)

On July 21st, work done by laborers, foreman, and supervisor is listed below as work categories;

Attach pilecaps ..... 2 3/4 ea.
Layout for stringers ..... 18 ea.
Set stringers ..... 14 ea.
Temporary Bracing Boards ... 4 ea.
Set warming flagging .....

The Little Giant was on the jobsite and assisted in alligning the piles and hoisting stringers out onto the bridge supports. It also was used to dig back earth from the bridge area. A full description of the activities on the jobsite this day can be found on pages 33 through 39 of this report. The total cost for this day was \$539 for the equipment and \$263.04 for labor giving a total of \$802.04.

The costs below are estimated derived from Walker's Building Estimator's Reference book, 21st Edition:

#### QUANTITIES:

Stringers:  $14 \times 4 \times 16' = 896 \text{ BF}$ 

#### ESTIMATED COSTS:

	QIY	L.UP	EQ UP	LABOR	EQUIP
SUPPORT EQUIPMENT: Crane Labor Truck	1 day 1 day	75.52	512.00 27.00	75.52	512.00 27.00
(1) ATTACH PILECAPS: (2) LAYOUT for stringers: (3) SET STRINGERS: TEMP BRACING BOARDS: FLAGGING:	2 3/4 ea L.S. 896 BF 4 ea L.S.	14.74 13.16 .075 3.00 5.00		40.54 13.16 67.56 12.00 5.00	
TOTALS				213.78	539.00
TOTAL LABOR TOTAL EQUIPM TOTAL E	NENT ESTIMATED COSTS		\$214.00 539.00 \$753.00		

Notes: (1) 30 minutes per pilecap for crew of one foreman and four helpers with crane assistance; \$14.74 / pilecap.

(2) Layout consisted of marking and stringlining centerline of bridge and marking spacing for 6 joists on each of the 4 supporting pilecaps. (See photo #18) used foreman and helper for one hour

for this operation 7.72 + 5.44 = 13.16).

(3) Walker's Building Estimators Reference Book, page 651, indicates that when placing wood joists, 4 x 12 or 4 x 16 in size, where the joists sit on top of wood girders ... Labor cost per 1,000 feet is 7.3 carpenter and 3.5 hours laborer:

using 7.3 x 7.72 + 3.5 x 5.44 = 75.40 /mbm or \$.075 / BF.

TOTALS

255.46 1507.00

TOTAL LABOR 255.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT 1507.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS \$1762.00

NOTES: (1) Walker's page 143; 25% efficiency used in common earth giving productivity of 18.75 cy per hour.

(2) Walker's page 170; Grading for footing bottoms (similar); 4 man hours per 100 sf = 120 sf in .96 hr for 5 man crew.

(3) The entire balance of Dozier and Dragline costs were included here. The quantity of work for analysis of productivity was undeterminable.

#### PILE COST ANALYSIS:

The piles used for the bridge were 16 feet long with approximately 8 feet into the ground and 8 feet exposed. The tops were protected with wire wrapping during driving and were cut off to final elevation after driven. The direct cost in this comparison is all labor and equipment shown on the reports from July 12 when the first piles were driven, through July 18th when the last piles were driven, plus the laborers, foreman and labor truck expense for July 19th and 20th which is for bracing, caping and placing of pile caps as photographs 1-6 in Appendix IIE.

The Labor and Equipment Summaries show direct costs as set forth above for these days as \$1,591.28 and \$2,579 respectively for a total of \$4,170. Walker's and common sense indicate costs as shown below:

Complete job set-up and dismantling are not considered in this analysis because the Little Giant was already on the jobsite for other uses and remained on the jobsite after the piles were driven. Only the change in rigging for the Little Giant is considered.

#### ESTIMATED COSTS:

		QTY	L.UP	EQ UP	LABOR	EQUIP
	PILE DELIVERY, LAYOUT & SETUP:	1 day	229.44	235.00	229.44	235.00
	EQUIPMENT RIGGING:	1 day	75.52	512.00	75.52	512.00
(1)	DRIVE PILES: (24 ea.)  Equipment operator Driver Crew (5 man)	1 day 1 day	75.52 229.44	512.00 27.00	75.52 229.44	
(2)	CUT OFF PILE TOPS:	16 ea	2.40	<del></del>	38.40	
(3)	CAP PILES WITH METAL:	13 ea	2.62		34.06	
	LABOR TRUCK:	1 day		27.00		27.00
(4)	PLACE PILE CAPS:	1.25ea	57.36		71.70	
	BRACE PILE SET #4: (5 man crew)	.5 hr	28.68		14.34	
	TOTALS				768.42	1313.00
	TOTAL LABOR TOTAL EQUIPMEN TOTAL EST		\$ 768.00 1313.00 \$2081.00			

#### Notes:

(1) Walker's Building Estimating Reference Book, page 180, gives a pile driving rate for 24' long foundation piles of 36 per day. Walker's uses a large pile driver but we have shorter piles. A rate of 24 per day seems reasonable.

(2) Walker's Building Estimating Reference Book, page 180, shows 12" to 14" piles cut off at a productivity rate of .22 labor hours per top. (.22 x \$5.24) = \$1.20 ea, adjusted for 50% efficiency the unit cost is \$2.40 ea.

(3) Using a laborer for 30 minutes per pile.

(4) Placing pilecaps using crane (cost not included) with labor crew (5 man) alligning and spiking down @ 2 hours per 8" x 8" pilecap gives \$57.36 / pilecap.

APPENDIX II-G

# FIGURE A Crane Equipment Use Report - July 20, 1983 Bannerville Bridge

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Delay Hours		Cause (Describe) .	
Operator Rose		Approved By	

Day on the Job Labor Report on an Equipment Use Report - July 21, 1983 Bannerville Bridge

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Τ•	you would be willing to give "confidential" cost figures on?
2.	What were/are the unit prices for a ton of asphalt delivered to the jobsite for 1974, 1981, 1983?
3.	What were your typical equipment rental costs in 1981?
ц.	What costs other than direct job costs (material, labor, equipment, and job-related overhead) are considered in your bids for contract work; i.e., general office overhead, markup %, labor indirect costs - FICA, U.C., etc., sales tax, maintenance of utilities and construction yard, etc.?
5•	What are your cost accounting procedures (with relevant forms)?  Job payroll with work quantity and weekly labor reports, etc.
6.	Are there any projects that you know of which were completed in 1981 that were originally put out for contract bids but were finally done by Public Works Department?
7.	Where are your materials obtained, particularly asphalt and limerock? Do you manufacture your own asphalt?
8.	Do you operate borrow pits?
9.	Do you buy limerock and fill at jobsite?

- 10. In your opinion, has county work increased or decreased in the last five years in terms of the percentage of finished paved roads?
- 11. Do you have any figures on total amounts of road construction done in Putnam County 1977 to the present? If so, please send us a copy?
- 12. In your opinion, how does the county determine whether road construction work should be "contracted out" or done in-house by the county?

13. Are there portions of your work that are "subcontracted out"?

If so, what techniques are most frequently used by you in arriving at a decision to do work yourself versus subcontracting it out?

- 14. Do there exist definitions of various types of road construction done? For example, ordinary maintenance, maintenance replacement, and incidental construction.
- 15. How seasonal and/or subject to fluctuations is the volume of asphalt roadwork which you do?
- 16. As you see it, what are the advantages to the county of "contracting out" its roadwork?

# III. GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS AND ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS CURRENTLY IN USE

In addition to the writings on the force account issue discussed in Section II, Step 1, information was gathered from various State Highway Departments and Departments of Transportation, describing regulations, and cost accounting and recording frameworks used by the respective governmental units.

This topic is being presented as a separate section because of its relevance to the situation found at the Putnam County Public Works

Department.

In our investigation of the force account issue, with the Putnam County Public Works Department being the focus of the study, certain deficiencies have been discovered, particularly with respect to cost control. The cost accounting and recording frameworks that other states have implemented in an effort to attain maximum efficiency, follow:

The State of Oregon has developed an outline of "Cost Accounting Guidelines" which is broken down into six sections including: Numeric Coding System, Personal Services Costs, Materials, Equipment Usage Rates, Overhead and Related Costs, and Financial Reporting. The guidelines are as follows:

#### I. NUMERIC CODING SYSTEM

A numeric coding system for accounting purposes should be developed. Each project will be assigned an account number. Entities with automated accounting systems are encouraged to establish cost centers for accumulating project costs. Many related costs may be incurred long before construction actually

begins. Project accounting codes are, therefore, essential to ensure that all chargeable costs are recorded.

#### II. PERSONAL SERVICES COSTS

- A. The use of detailed time records is a fundamental requirement for accurately accumulating labor costs. Employee time records should provide information at an hourly level for type of activity and by project.
- B. The costs of employee vacation, sick leave, all other employer paid insurance and/or retirement benefits, and all other employer paid benefits should be reflected in hourly charge rates. Workers' Compensation costs used in this calculation shall be based on actual rates paid.
- C. Travel time to and from the job site should be charged to the project.

#### III. MATERIALS

- A. Materials issuance from inventory or stores for use on a particular project should be documented by requisition forms.
- B. Direct material purchases for use on a specific project should be documented by purchase orders and invoices.
- C. Costs of other supplies not directly chargeable to a specific project should be considered in overhead calculation.

#### IV. EQUIPMENT USAGE RATES

- A. Agencies may develop internal usage rates based on depreciation schedules, investment cost (ORS 279.023(3)), and operating costs such as fuel, oil, and repairs.
- B. Agencies may use widely accepted rate schedules such as those used by the Oregon State Highway Division for "external" work

such as force account or price agreement.

#### V. OVERHEAD AND RELATED COSTS

- A. All general administrative and other "overhead" expenses directly or indirectly applicable to construction activities should be identified and charged. The use of formula or percentage charge rates is acceptable if those rates are supported by documentation. Documentation would consist of workpapers showing the rationale and computations for allocating general administrative expenses.
- B. Accounting principles require the capitalization of a wide range of ancillary costs. Examples are engineering, legal and other professional fees, acquisition costs, freight and transportation, and site preparation.

#### VI. FINANCIAL REPORTING

The final project costs will be closed to the appropriate ledger account. Public agencies are encouraged to prepare cost reports on completion of each project.

The preceeding Executive Department cost accounting guidelines are not intended to serve as an accounting manual, but as a listing of general procedures which in their opinion are necessary to comply with Oregon Statutes and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. (See Appendix III-A for Oregon State Senate Bill 341 which "requires public agency doing own construction to prepare adequate plans and specifications and the estimated unit cost of each classification of work. Prohibits agency from doing such work at cost over \$5,000 unless agency substantially complies with model cost accounting guidelines.")

#### PENNSYLVANIA

As indicated earlier in the report, the implementation of appropriate cost function codes is critical in the development of an efficient cost accounting and recording system. The State of Pennsylvania has developed quite a thorough system of Program Coding Charts. They are available through the Pennsylvania State Department of Transportation.

#### LOUISLANA

In order for a cost coding system to be effective, there must be a legitimate reporting and recording system. The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development has formulated a "Maintenance Reporting Manual."

The "manual provides instructions for preparing and checking forms for reporting maintenance work. The reporting procedures help the employee do the job more efficiently and accurately. Using the procedures helps in reporting the correct description of the kind of work done and the correct amount of work done. In addition, it would be expected that all labor, equipment and materials used would be charged to the proper work function."

"The first section of the manual takes one through step by step procedures for preparation of the following forms:"

Daily Work Report

Biweekly Activity Report

Biweekly Activity Report Recap

Employee Biweekly Payroll

Equipment Repair Order

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Equipment Repair Summary

The first section "is followed with coding information and function descriptions which must be used as guidelines for maintenance work reporting." (See Appendix III-B for "Table of Contents" to this Manual.) The authors of this study STRONGLY RECOMMEND the reading of this Manual to Directors of public agencies involved in this type of work.

#### U.S. DOT AND WISCONSIN

When a legitimate cost accounting and reporting system is actually in place, the ongoing process of determining the relative efficiencies of contracting out for a particular maintenance job versus doing the work in-house should be similar to the process put forth by the U.S. Department of Transportation or the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. (See Appendix III-C.)

In dealing with the force account question, in which public project productivity is a major issue and cost comparisons must, therefore, be considered, there arises the difficulty with estimating costs. Certainly this was apparent from our experience in Putnam County. (The cost of performing road construction work by 'state' forces is only an estimate.) "It will vary depending upon the type of cost data available, how administrative and other types of overhead are treated, the level of activity of the working unit in question, and whether or not the equipment and expertise necessary to perform the activity are readily available. It was also noted that accurate analysis requires comparability of quality, specifications, quantity, etc. Even if this comparability test is met, the 'state' force costs would still remain only an estimate."

#### CALIFORNIA

In order to lessen the difficulties associated with cost

estimation processes and cost comparisons, and in an effort to save taxpayers money, the California legislature through the lobbying efforts of the Construction Industry Force Account Council has passed Bill #AB1666, which sets the groundwork for determining a uniform way to check public construction costs.

In early 1982, the AGC working with the Construction Industry

Force Account Council (CIFAC), the League of California Cities, and the

County Supervisors Association of California (CSAC) formed a task force

to develop a Uniform Cost Accounting Bill. (See Appendix III-D.)

The task force has met monthly and has, at its January 10, 1983 meeting, developed a draft bill to be presented to the legislature before the February 4, 1983 deadline.

The following summary of the development and major parts of the "Uniform Cost Accounting Bill" was received by the Construction Industry Force Account Council (CIFAC).

- 1. A 12 member California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission will be appointed by the Controller. Six members from industry (two general contractors, two subcontractors, and two from labor) and six members from public agencies.
- Commission will develop uniform cost accounting standards
  utilizing, among other material, CMB Circular A-76. Commission to
  submit its recommendation to Controller no later than January 1, 1985.
   Controller must adopt or reject procedures within 90 days of submission.
- 3. Force account limits raised to \$15,000 for those public agencies adopting uniform cost accounting standards. Limits are reviewed every 5 years and may be adjusted.
  - 4. Provides definitions for public projects and maintenance work.

- 5. Provides for informal bidding scheme:
  - a. Public projects of \$25,000 or less may be let by purchase order.
  - b. Public projects of more than \$25,000 but less than \$100,000 may be let by informal bidding.
- 6. Public projects of \$100,000 or more shall be by formal bidding.
- 7. Commission shall have power to review accounting procedures of any participating public agency where interested party presents evidence that:
  - a. agency rejects all bids claiming can do cheaper;
  - b. exceeded force account limits;
  - c. improperly classified as maintenance.

During review of "a" above, the agency is enjoined from proceeding and if Commission finds against agency the agency must abandon or award to low bidder.

If Commission finds "b" and "c" have been violated, findings are presented to public agency governing body which must within 30 days conduct a public hearing in regard to the findings.

APPENDIX III-A

#### OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--1981 Regular Session

### **B-Engrossed**

# Senate Bill 341

Ordered by the Speaker June 29 (Including Amendments by Senate May 13 and by House June 29)

Sponsored by Senators McFarland, Brown, Representatives Bellamy, Brogotti, Cherry, Chrest, Fawbush, Ford, Gilmour, Grannell, Hamby, Lindquist, Lombard, Magruder, Markham, Mason, Otto, Riebel, Rijken, L. Roberts, Schoon, Senators Day, Fadeley, Gardner, Groener, Hallock, Hanlon, Hannon, Hartung, Isham, Kitzhaber, Kulongoski, McCoy, Meeker, Monroe, Roberts, Simmons, Thorne, Trow, Representatives anderson, Burrows, Campbell, Deboer, Johnson, Jolin, Jones, Kennedy, Kerans, Priestley, B. Roberts, Rutherford, Springer, Vanleeuwen, Van Vliet (at the request of Associated General Contractors)

#### SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Requires public agency doing own construction to prepare adequate plans and specifications and the estimated unit cost of each classification of work. Prohibits agency from doing such work at cost over \$5,000 unless agency substantially complies with model cost accounting guidelines. [Grants person adversely affected by agency's violation of prohibition the right to seek injunctive relief.]

Takes effect January 1, 1982.

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Changes public contracting law relating to holidays. Provides that if contractor is a party to a collective bargaining agreement in effect with a labor organization, the collective bargaining agreement relating to holidays will prevail.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to public improvements; creating new provisions; amending ORS 279.023 and 279.334; prescribing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 5 Section 1. ORS 279.023 is amended to read:
  - 279.023. (1) It is the policy of the State of Oregon that public agencies shall make every effort to construct public improvements at the least cost to the public agency.
  - (2) Not less than 30 days prior to adoption of its budget for the subsequent budget period, each public agency shall prepare and file with the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries a list of every public improvement known to the agency that the agency plans to fund in the budget period, identifying each improvement by name and estimating the total onsite construction costs. The list shall also contain a statement as to whether the agency intends to perform the construction by a private contractor. If the agency intends to perform construction work using the agency's own equipment and personnel on a project estimated to cost more than \$50,000, then the agency shall also show its decision conforms to the policy stated in subsection (1) of this section. The list is a public record and may be revised periodically by the agency.
  - (3) [Whenever] Before a public agency [intends to perform or construct] constructs a public improvement with its own equipment or personnel: [, the public agency shall cause to be kept and preserved a full, true and accurate account of the costs of performing the work including all engineering and administrative expenses and a reasonable estimate of the cost, including investment cost, of equipment used.]

NOTE: Matter in bold face in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted; complete new sections begin with SECTION.

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(a) If the estimated cost exceeds \$50,000, the public agency shall prepare adequate plans and specifications and the estimated unit cost of each classification of work. The estimated cost of the work shall include a reasonable allowance for the cost, including investment cost, of any equipment used. As used in this paragraph, "adequate" means sufficient to control the performance of the work and to assure satisfactory quality of construction by the public agency personnel.

- (b) The public agency shall cause to be kept and preserved a full, true and accurate account of the costs of performing the work, including all engineering and administrative expenses and the cost, including investment custs, of any equipment used. The final account of the costs shall be a public record.
- (4) [Subsection (2)] Subsections (2) and (3) of this section [does] do not apply to any public agency when the public improvement is to be used for the distribution or transmission of electric power.
- SECTION 2. If a public agency fails to adopt and apply a cost accounting system that substantially complies with the model cost accounting guidelines developed by the Executive Department pursuant to section 3, chapter 869, Oregon Laws 1979, as determined by an accountant qualified to perform audits required by ORS 297.210 and 297.405 to 297.555 (Municipal Audit Law), the public agency shall not perform or construct a public improvement with its own equipment or personnel if the cost is in excess of \$5,000.
  - SECTION 3. Section 2 of this Act is added to and made a part of ORS 279.011 to 279.056.
- Section 4. ORS 279.334 is amended to read: 17
  - 279.334. (1) In all cases where labor is employed by the state, county, school district, municipality, municipal corporation, or subdivision, through a contractor, no person shall be required or permitted to labor more than eight hours in any one day, or 40 hours in any one week, except in cases of necessity; emergency, or where the public policy absolutely requires it, in which event, the person or persons so employed for excessive hours shall receive at least time and a half pay for all overtime in excess of eight hours a day, and for work performed on Saturday and on the following legal holidays:
  - (a) Each Sunday.
- (b) New Year's Day on January 1. 25
- (c) Memorial Day on the last Monday in May. 26
- (d) Independence Day on July 4. 27
- (e) Labor Day on the first Monday in September. 28
- (f) Thanksgiving Day on the fourth Thursday in November. 29
  - (g) Christmas Day on December 25.
- (2) For the purpose of this section, each time a holiday, other than Sunday, listed in subsection (1) of this 31 section falls on Sunday, the succeeding Monday shall be recognized as a legal holiday. Each time a holiday 32 listed in subsection (1) of this section falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be recognized as a legal 33 34 holiday.
  - (3) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section do not apply to a contract for a public improvement if the contractor is a party to a collective bargaining agreement in effect with any labor organization.
- 36 [(3)] (4) When specifically agreed to under a written labor-management negotiated labor agreement, a 37 laborer may be paid at least time and a half pay for work performed on any legal holiday specified in ORS 38 187.010 and 187.020 that is not listed in subsection (1) of this section. 39

- [74] (5) This section shall not apply to labor performed in the prevention or suppression of fire under contracts and agreements made pursuant to the authority of the State Forester or the State Board of Forestry, under ORS 477,406.
  - SECTION 5. Sections 1 to 3 of this Act take effect January 1, 1982.
- SECTION 6. This Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
- 6 safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and the amendments to ORS 279.334 by section 4 of this Act take
- 7 effect on its passage.

APPENDIX III-B

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# State of Louisiana's Maintenance Work Reporting Manual

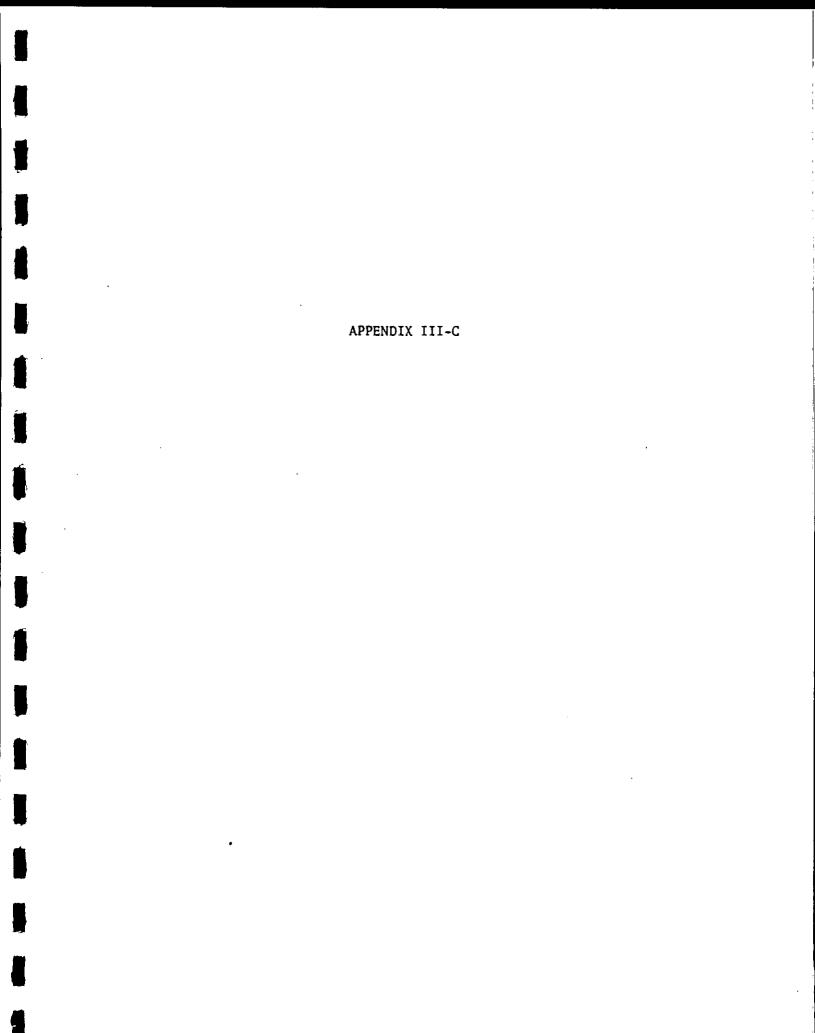
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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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#### **GENERAL**

If a county or other unit of local government wishes to construct a federal-aid highway project with its own work force and equipment, it must comply with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT's) "Policy on Construction of Federal-Aid Highway Projects by Forces and Equipment of Counties or Other Local Governmental Units." The policy has been written to define WisDOT's position, as administrator of federal-aid projects, regarding non-competitive bid contracts (negotiated contracts) with local units of government (municipalities). The policy establishes general procedures and criteria for entering into negotiated contracts.

A copy of the policy is attached to this procedure as Figure 1. Background information and guidelines for the implementation of the policy are discussed in this procedure. Questions that remain unanswered about provisions of the policy should be directed to staff of the Design Section of the Division of Highways and Transportation Facilities.

#### BACKGROUND TO THE POLICY

Before a municipality will be allowed to enter into a negotiated contract with WisDOT, it must show that interests of the public will be best served by using municipality forces and equipment rather than those of a private contractor. This is done by making a Public Interest Finding, which is simply an evaluation and a determination that the public's general overall interests will benefit by a certain method of doing the work.

The basis for a public interest finding lies in federal law. Section 112(b) of Chapter 1, Title 23, United States Code, states that "Construction of each project...shall be performed by contract awarded by competitive bidding, unless the Secretary [of the U. S. Department of Transportation] shall affirmatively find that, under the circumstances related to such project, some other method is in the public interest." The phrase "public interest finding" comes from this section of federal law.

Federal law is implemented by federal regulation. Section 635.105 of Chapter 1, Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, states that:

- 1. "(b) When a project is not located on a highway system over which the State highway agency has legal jurisdiction, or when other special conditions warrant, the State highway agency may arrange for a local public agency having jurisdiction over such streets or highways to perform the work with its own forces, or to let a contract therefor, provided the division administrator approves such proposed arrangements in advance and provided all the following conditions are met:
  - "(1) There is an agreement between the State highway agency and the local public agency setting forth the conditions under which the project will be constructed. The agreement shall provide that construction work performed by or under the supervision of a local public agency will be subject to inspection at all times by the State highway agency and the FHWA."
  - \*(2) The state highway agency certifies that the work can be more advantageously performed by the local public agency.
  - \*(3) The local public agency is paying part of the cost of the work or has other special interest therein.
  - "(4) The local public agency is adequately staffed and suitably equipped to undertake and satisfactorily complete the work.
  - \*(5) In the case of force account work, there is full compliance with Subpart B of this Part.\*

Note particularly the requirements written into the regulations that the state must certify the work can be performed more advantageously by the municipality, the municipality is paying part of the cost or has a special interest in the project, and the municipality is adequately staffed and suitably equipped to do the work.

## POLICY REQUIREMENTS FOR A PUBLIC INTEREST FINDING

The "Public Interest Finding" section of WisDOT policy lists four requirements for a public interest finding.

## EITHER

1. The nature or size of the work makes it unsuitable for performance by competitive bidding. This means the type of work or the amount of work would not attract bids from private contractors except at inflated costs.

#### OR

The municipality needs the work to provide reasonably stable employment for personnel necessary to perform normal maintenance and traffic services. This means the municipality will not have to hire extra employees or work overtime to do the federal-aid work.

2. The municipality is properly staffed and equipped to perform the work. This means they will not have to specially train their employees or buy or rent equipment to do the federal-aid work.

- 3. The costs will not exceed those costs that would be obtained through competitive hidding. This means that the municipality must show that they can do the work at equal or less cost than under a let contract, otherwise serious questions can be raised about there being any public benefit by having the municipality do the work.
- 4. Prior commitments by the municipality to do work for other municipalities will not impair performance of the federal-aid project. This means that the municipality must be able to muster sufficient personnel and equipment to do the proposed federal-aid work without a time delay or a decrease in quality, despite agreements with other local governmental units for construction, traffic, or maintenance services.

A public interest finding will <u>not</u> be needed in certain cases where the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has already made a "blanket" public interest finding. The FHWA has determined that it is in the public interest to use the negotiated contract method on any highway system for these types of work:

- Projects to adjust utilities and railroad facilities owned or operated by a public agency, railroad company, or a utility company (FHPM 6-4-1-14).
- 2. Emergency repairs to restore services or to protect facilities, with the concurrence of the FHWA (FHPM 6-4-1-14).
- 3. Projects funded with Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program funds (FHPM 6-4-1-14 and 6-8-2-1). Refer to the District Office of WisDOT for the most current listing of federal-aid fund types included in this program.

Although a public interest finding is not needed, WisDOT's recent experiences with higher than estimated costs for these Safety Program projects requires that the municipality submit the following to the District Office:

- a. Location and type of work
- b. Quantity of work
- c. Estimated total cost
- d. Anticipated cost savings over a let contract

## PROCEDURE FOR COMPLYING WITH THE POLICY

The municipality should follow these general steps when developing a negotiated contract with WisDOT:

- 1. Prepare a public interest finding and submit it to the appropriate District Office of WisDOT.
- 2. Have the finding accepted by the District Director, approved by the Chief Design Engineer, and concurred in by the FHWA, as necessary.
- 3. Develop a negotiated contract through interaction with the District Office of WisDOT.
- 4. Submit a final contract and final construction plans, specifications, and estimates (P.S. & E.) for approval.

These steps will be discussed in detail in the following sections of this procedure.

# Preparing and Submitting a Public Interest Finding

Very early in the development of a federal-aid highway project, the sponsoring municipality should decide if it has the capability and wishes to construct the project with its own work force and equipment. If the answer is yes, a written public interest finding containing the following information must be submitted to the appropriate District Director:

- 1. Project location
- 2. Nature of the project
- 3. Proposed funding
- 4. Cost analysis
- 5. Cost estimate
- 6. Private contract cost comparison
- 7. Justification

Project Location: Describe where the project is located, its termini, and its length. Include a map whenever possible. Note that the policy sets a project length limitation. Exceeding that limitation must be justified.

Nature of the Project: State what type of construction is proposed. Note that the policy states the types of work that are allowed. Exceptions must be justified.

Proposed Funding: State the type of anticipated federal aid and the amount or percentage of construction costs that the municipality expects to pay. If there is some special interest or arrangement that may affect the amount the municipality will pay, it should be stated.

Cost Analysis: The following process is quite detailed and involved. The municipality should understand, however, that the policy does not require a detailed cost analysis or negotiated contract unit prices at this stage. Rather, the cost analysis needs to be only as detailed as is necessary to show that it will not cost more to do the work with municipality forces than with private forces.

The use of rough but reasonable estimates of work quantities is acceptable. Current rates for wages and machinery rental may be used without updating to the construction year. Municipality experience under recent and comparable projects may be used to set production rates for personnel and equipment. An acceptable alternative method of making a cost analysis is to select realistic unit prices that were obtained on a recent and comparable project done by the municipality's work force and equipment.

A detailed cost analysis is the procedure used to determine the cost of doing one unit of work for each of the work items involved in the project. The cost analysis is an important part of the request since it forms the factual basis for determining total cost of the project. Examples are to be found in Procedure 19-25-1 for an Agreed Unit Price contract (AUP) and Procedure 19-25-5 for a Service and Supply contract (S&S).

To make a detailed cost analysis:

- Isolate a work item and estimate its quantity.
- 2. Determine equipment that is needed to do that work.
- Determine the number of personnel and their job classifications needed to do the work.
- 4. Determine the production rate of personnel and equipment.
- 5. Calculate hours of production by dividing the quantity by the production rate.
- 6. Calculate equipment cost by multiplying the hours of production by the current machinery rental rate.
- 7. Calculate personnel cost by multiplying the hours of production by the current labor rate for that classification.
- 8. Determine cost of materials.
- Add the cost of equipment, personnel, and materials to get the total work item cost.
- 10. Divide the total work item cost by the quantity to get the cost per unit of work (unit price). This process is then repeated for each work item.

Lost Estimate: Developing an estimate of the cost of the whole project follows, and is based on, the cost analysis. If the cost analysis method outlined above in steps 1 through 10 is used, the total project cost will then be the summation of all work item costs. Use of the alternative method of selecting unit prices from municipality experience will require multiplying each work item quantity by its unit price. The total project cost will be the summation of all work item costs.

A suggested cost estimate format is shown in Procedure 19-25-5. Note that the policy sets criteria for the allowable dollar size of projects. Exceeding that limitation must be justified.

Private Contract Cost Comparison: After determining the total cost if the project is constructed by the municipality, local officials must compare that total with the estimated cost if done by private contractor under a competitive bidding process. Unit prices may be established by review of recent and comparable contracts awarded to private firms. These are available in the district offices of WisDOT. Lack of available contractors in the area or a lack of interest on their part should be considered in setting unit prices. From these unit prices a cost estimate may be developed. Comparison of the two totals should show a cost savings under a negotiated contract.

Justification: This part of the public interest finding will consist of positive statements addressing each of the four requirements of the "Public Interest Finding" section of the policy.

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## Approving a Public Interest Finding

The finding should be reviewed by WisDOT district personnel. If it is found acceptable by the District Director, it may then be transmitted to the Chief Design Engineer, together with a recommendation for action.

The Chief Design Engineer has been given authority by the Administrator of the Division of Highways and Transportation Facilities to approve or disapprove all public interest findings except as noted below. The Administrator will approve or disapprove those public interest findings proposing the exceeding of policy limits for project length, type, cost, or district quota. Action by the Administrator will be considered an approval or disapproval of both the public interest finding and the exception.

Following these actions, findings for projects to be administered under the Secondary Road Plan (Procedure 5-5-15) will be returned to the District. Findings for projects not administered by the Secondary Road Plan must be concurred with by the FHWA. Their concurrence will be requested by the Design Section.

As stated previously in this procedure, projects that will be financed with Safety Program funds do not require a separate public interest finding as they are covered by a "blanket" finding made by the FHWA. However, the Chief Design Engineer is to be advised by the District of the project location, type of work, estimated quantities, total cost, and anticipated savings over a let contract. This is to be done before preparation of a negotiated contract is begun.

## Developing a Negotiated Contract

The municipality may proceed to develop a contract after being informed by the District that the public interest finding and any exceptions to policy criteria have been approved. Contract forms and guidance in their use will be supplied by the District upon request.

Cost Analysis: All negotiated contracts must include a detailed cost analysis, which is to be prepared in the manner set forth in the ten-step method discussed earlier in this procedure. It should include costs for labor by classification, equipment, and materials used in the work operation, as based on current wage rates, current machinery rental rates, and current materials costs. Production rates and quantity estimates are to be realistic. A form on which the analysis may be prepared is available through the District.

Payment to a municipality for performance of a particular work item under an AUP contract will be based on the unit price shown in the cost analysis. The quantity of the work item may vary from the estimate, but the unit price will remain fixed for the life of the contract.

Borrow pits, gravel pits, and quarries are to be located and details of loading and hauling determined at the time the cost analysis is prepared. Changes in pit location should be reviewed by the District, as they may affect the analysis and subsequently require a change order to a Service and Supply contract.

Cost Estimate: A cost estimate must be included with S&S contracts. The estimate should state the quantity, cost of each work item, and total contract cost. An example is shown in Figure 1 of Procedure 19-25-5. Because the cost

estimate will control the actual upper limit of payment to the municipality, care must be taken in its preparation.

Reimbursement to a municipality for performance of a particular work item under an S&S contract will be based on the actual costs incurred. However, the total reimbursement for all work items will be limited to the total shown in the cost estimate unless revised by approved contract change orders. CCO's must be submitted and approved before the work in question is started.

Considerations in Developing the Contract: Contract prices are developed using rates for labor and machinery that are current at the time the contract is negotiated. Occasionally those rates change before work is actually performed. The local unit of government would then be required to perform the work at rates less than what they will actually have to pay and would thus incur a loss. The policy requires that the rates established in the contract shall remain unchanged throughout the life of the contract. The unit prices should therefore be developed and the contracts executed after the rates have been established for the year in which construction is to be performed. Even with a 17-week lead time requirement (or 10 weeks if not included in the same federal agreement with a bid contract), there is generally adequate time between finalization of labor and machinery rates and the start of the ensuing construction season to allow development of unit prices based on appropriate rates for labor and machinery. Projects for which the proposed work -is expected to extend beyond one construction season would normally be of sufficient magnitude that it would be more appropriate to construct them through the competitive bidding process.

Subcontracting will not be allowed except for minor quantities of specialty items or services done for the municipality under an established, ongoing contract.

The municipality may not add equipment to its current inventory in order to perform the proposed federal-aid project; however, it may replace worn-out or obsolete equipment.

## Submitting the Contract and P.S. & E.

Refer to Procedure 19-25-1 for the composition and processing of AUP contracts and P.S. & E. submittals. Refer to Procedure 19-25-5 for the composition and processing of S&S contracts and P.S. & E. submittals. Necessary agency approvals are discussed in Procedure 3-20-45.

## DISTRICT LIMITATIONS ON NEGOTIATED CONTRACTS

It will be the responsibility of each District to review their federal-aid programs in order to be assured that the district dollar limitation is not exceeded. If a proposed project will cause the limit to be exceeded, the situation should be brought to the attention of the Chief Design Engineer when sending in the public interest finding.

## APPENDIX III-D



#### U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

## FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY PROGRAM MANUAL

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SUBSECTION 14

CONTRACT AND FORCE ACCOUNT (JUSTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR FORCE ACCOUNT WORK)

Transmittal 127

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## 1. PURPOSE

\*The purpose of this directive is to prescribe procedures in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 112(b) for a State highway agency to request approval that highway construction work be performed by some other method than by contract award by competitive bid. in j.

## 2. APPLICATION

This directive applies to all Federal-aid and other highway construction projects financed in whole or in part with Federal funds and to be constructed by a State highway agency or a subdivision thereof in pursuance of agreements between any State highway agency and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) except projects constructed under a Certification Acceptance Plan in those States where the Secretary has discharged his responsibility pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 117. (Reporting of Force Account Affirmative Findings on Certification Acceptance (CA) projects, except projects on the FAS System, is required as prescribed in the Federal-Aid Highway Program Manual 6-5-2, Attachment 2.)

## 3. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply for the purposes of this directive:

<sup>\*</sup>Regulatory material is italicized.

- a. A "State highway agency" is that department, commission, board, or official of any State charged by its laws with the responsibility for highway construction. The term "State" should be considered equivalent to "State highway agency" if the context so implies.
- b. The term "some other method" of construction as used in U.S.C. 112(b) shall mean the "force account" method of construction as defined herein. In the unlikely event that circumstances are considered to justify a negotiated contract or another unusual method of construction, the policies and procedures prescribed herein for force account work will apply.
- c. The term "force account" shall mean the direct performance of highway construction work by a State highway agency, a county, a railroad, or a public utility company by use of labor, equipment, materials, and supplies furnished by them and used under their direct control.
- d. The term "county" shall mean any county, township, municipality or other political subdivision that may be empowered to cooperate with the State highway agency in highway matters.

## 4. DETERMINATION OF PUBLIC INTEREST

- a. Congress has expressly provided in the cited legislation that the contract method based on competitive bidding shall be used by a State highway agency or county for performance of highway work financed with the aid of Federal funds unless there is an affirmative finding that under the circumstances relating to a given project it is in the public interest to perform the work by some other method.
- b. It may be found in the public interest for a State highway agency or county to undertake a federally financed highway construction project by force account when a situation exists in which the rights or responsibilities of the community at large are so affected as to require some special course of action, including situations where there is a lack of bids or the bids received are unreasonable. The cost, by force account, in all cases must be reasonable.
- c. No precise rules can be prescribed nor can specific examples be followed. If, however, a State highway agency or county in order to perform force account work

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must acquire or rent substantially more equipment than required for its normal operations or if force account work by a particular organization shows a substantial increase over a preceding year, it would be difficult under such circumstances to justify an affirmative finding compatible with the foregoing authorization.

## 5. FINDING OF PUBLIC INTEREST .

- a. Pursuant to authority in 23 U.S.C. 112(b), it is hereby determined that:
  - By reason of the inherent nature of the operations involved it is in the public interest to perform by force account the adjustment of railroad or utility facilities and similar type facilities owned or operated by a public agency, a railroad, or a utility company, provided the costs are reasonable and that the organization is qualified to perform the work in a satisfactory manner. The installation of new facilities shall be undertaken by competitive bidding except as provided in subparagraphs 5. b. and c. below. The term "adjustment of railroad facilities" includes the installation of grade crossing warning devices, crossing surfaces, and minor track and signal work. The term "adjustment of utilities" includes minor installations of new facilities to provide power, minor lighting, telephone, water and similar utility services to a rest area, weigh-station, movable bridge, or other highway appurtenance, provided such installation cannot feasibly be done as incidental to a major installation project such as an extensive highway lighting system.
  - (2) Because of the urgent necessity for timely completion of temporary operations (i.e., cmergency repairs, the need for which is concurred in by the Division Engineer, undertaken during or immediately following the occurence of a natural disaster or catastrophic failure, to reduce the extent of damage, to protect remaining facilities or to restore travel), it is in the public interest to perform such temporary operations either by force account or by the contract method. Therefore, the work may be performed by the method most suited for the work and a formal affirmative finding is not required in either case.

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- Subparagraph 7b(1) in FHWA directive entitled, "Highway Safety Improvement Program" (Volume 6, Chapter 8, Section 2, Subsection 1) stipulates that "The FHWA finds it to be in the public interest for a State highway agency or local government to use its own forces for highway safety improvement projects, if the State highway agency so requests." It is, therefore, unnecessary for the Division Engineer to make an affirmative finding of public interest on such projects but the force account work must be reported to Washington Headquarters to fulfill the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 112(b).
- b. When a State highway agency desires that highway construction work financed with the aid of Federal funds, other than the kinds of work designated under subparagraph 5a or projects constructed under an approved Certification Acceptance Plan, be undertaken by force account, it shall submit a written request to the Division Engineer identifying and describing the project and the kinds of work to be performed, the estimated costs therefor, the estimated Federal funds to be provided, and setting forth the reason or reasons that force account for such project is considered to be in the public interest.
- c. The Division Engineer shall notify the State highway agency in writing of his determination that under the circumstances relating to the project, force account is or is not found to be in the public interest. He shall promptly submit to the Washington Headquarters through the regional office, single copies of the State's request, and his reply to the State highway agency. The Regional Administrator shall periodically review the Division Engineer's finding from an overall program standpoint.

## 6. REPORT TO CONGRESS

The Associate Administrator, Office of Engineering and Traffic Operations, is responsible for preparing the report for the Committees on Public Works of the Senate and the House of Representatives on all affirmative findings as required by 23 U.S.C. 112(b).

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AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 29, 1983
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#### ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1666

#### Introduced by Assemblyman Cortese

### March 3, 1983

An act to add Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 21000) to Part 3 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code, relating to public agencies.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DICEST

AB 1666, as amended, Cortese. Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act.

(1) Existing law does not provide a uniform cost accounting standard with respect to construction work

performed or contracted by local public agencies.

This bill would create the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission. It would prescribe the membership and terms of office of its members. It would specify the duties of the commission including, recommending uniform construction cost accounting procedures for implementation by public agencies in the performance of, or in contracting for, construction on public projects and to report to the Controller for his or her adoption and to report to the Legislature regarding the development and implementation of the procedure. It would require the Controller to promulgate a uniform procedure for all local public agencies which elect to implement the procedure.

(2) Existing law prescribes various procedures regarding

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This bill would establish, as an alternative to the other bidding procedures, a specified bidding procedure.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

## The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 21000) is added to Part 3 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code, to read:

CHAPTER 2. BIDDING ON PUBLIC CONTRACTS

Article 1. Legislative Intent and Definitions

21000. This chapter shall be known and may be cited 10 as the "Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting 11 Act."

21001. The Legislature finds and declares that there is 13 a statewide need to promote uniformity of the cost 14 accounting standards and bidding procedures on 15 construction work performed or contracted by public 16 entities in the state. This chapter provides for the 17 development of cost accounting standards and an 18 alternative method for the bidding of public works 19 projects by public entities.

21002. (a) "Public agency" for purposes of this 21 chapter, means a city, county, city and county, including 22 chartered cities and chartered counties, any special 23 district, and any other agency of the state for the local 24 performance of governmental or proprietary functions 25 within limited boundaries.

26 (b) "Representatives of the construction industry" for 27 purposes of this chapter, means a general contractor, subcontractor, or labor representative with experience in

29 the field of public works construction.

(c) "Public project" means any of the following:

(1) Construction, reconstruction, erection, alteration, 32 renovation, improvement, demolition, and repair work 1 involving any publicly owned, leased, or operated facility.

(2) Painting or repainting of any publicly owned,

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(3) In the case of a publicly owned utility system, "public project" shall include only the construction, erection, improvement, or repair of dams, reservoirs, power plants, and electrical transmission lines of 230,000 volts and higher.

(d) "Public project" does not include maintenance 10 work. For purposes of this section, "maintenance work"

11 includes all of the following:

(1) Routine, recurring, and usual work for the 13 preservation or protection of any publicly owned or 14 publicly operated facility for its intended purposes.

(2) Minor repainting.

(3) Resurfacing of streets and highways at less than 17 one inch.

(4) Landscape maintenance, including mowing, watering, trimming, pruning, planting, replacement of plants, and servicing of irrigation and sprinkler systems.

(5) Work performed to keep, operate, and maintain 22 publicly owned water, power, or waste disposal systems, 23 including, but not limited to, dams, reservoirs, power plants, and electrical transmission lines of 230,000 volts and higher.

(e) For purposes of this chapter, "facility" means any 27 plant, building, structure, ground facility, utility system, 28' subject to the limitation found in paragraph (3) of subdivision (c), real property, streets and highways, or 30 other public work improvement.

## Article 2. California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission

21100. There is hereby created the California 36 Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission. The 37 commission is comprised of 12 members appointed by the 38 Controller as follows:

(a) Two members who shall each have at least 10 years 40 of experience with, or providing professional services to, 8

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a general contracting firm engaged, during that period, in public works construction in California.

(b) Two members who shall each have at least 10 years of experience with, or providing professional services to, a firm or firms engaged, during that period, in subcontracting for public works construction in California.

(c) Two members who shall each be a member in good standing of, or have provided professional services to, an organized labor union with at least 10 years of experience in public works construction in California.

(d) Six members who shall each be experienced in, 13 and knowledgeable of, public works construction under contracts let by public agencies; two each representing cities, counties, and special districts, respectively. At least 16 one of the two county representatives shall be a county auditor or his or her designee.

21101. The Controller, in an effort to select highly qualified commission members, shall solicit from organized representatives of the construction industry and public agencies recommendations for appointments 22 to the commission.

21102. At least one commission member of the six 24 representing the construction industry and at least one of 25 the six representing public agencies shall have previous 26 accounting experience.

21103. The commission members shall select a 28 chairperson from among its membership. 29 chairperson shall serve as chair for a term of one year 30 from the date of selection or February 1, whichever 31 comes first. In no event shall two consecutive 32 chairpersons be appointees representing either the 33 construction industry or public agencies.

21104. (a) The members of the commission shall hold 35 office for terms of three years, and until their successors 36 are appointed, except as otherwise provided for in this 37 section.

38 (b) In the case of members initially appointed by the 39 Controller, two representing the construction industry 40 and two representing public agencies shall be appointed

1 to serve until July 1, 1985; two representing the construction industry and two representing public 3 agencies shall be appointed to serve until July 1, 1986; and 4 two representing the construction industry and two 5 representing public agencies shall be appointed to serve until July 1, 1987.

(c) Members may be reappointed for subsequent

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21105. (a) The Controller shall make available for the conduct of the commission's business, such staff and support as does not conflict with the accomplishment of the other business of the Office of the 13 Controller.

(b) Each member of the commission shall serve 15 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of the member's duties.

(c) The commission may accept grants from federal, state, or local public agencies, or from private foundations or individuals, in order to assist it in carrying out its duties, functions, and powers under this chapter.

21106. The commission shall meet not less than once each year, at a time and place chosen by its membership. 21107. The commission shall do all of the following:

(a) After due deliberation and study, recommend for adoption by the Controller, uniform construction cost accounting procedures for implementation by public agencies in the performance of, or in contracting for, construction on public projects. The procedures shall, to the extent deemed feasible and practicable by the commission, incorporate, or be consistent with construction cost accounting procedures and reporting requirements utilized by state and federal agencies on public projects, and be uniformly applicable to all public 35 agencies which elect to utilize the uniform procedures. As part of its deliberations and review, the commission shall take into consideration relevant provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76.

39 (b) Recommend for adoption by the Controller, procedures and standards for the periodic evaluation and 3

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adjustment, as necessary, of the monetary limits specified 2 in Section 21202.

(c) Submit its recommendations to the Controller not 4 later than January 1, 1985. The commission shall report to 5 the Legislature, no later than June 30, 1984, concerning its 6 progress in the development and implementation of the 7 uniform construction cost accounting procedures. 8 Thereafter, the commission shall make an annual report 9 to the Legislature with respect to its activities and 10 operations, together with those recommendations as it Il deems necessary.

21108. The Controller shall, upon receipt of the 13 commission's recommendations, review and evaluate the 14 recommended procedures and either formally adopt or 15 reject the recommended procedures within 90 days of 16 submission by the commission.

21109. Upon determing that the recommended 18 uniform construction cost accounting procedures will 19 serve the best interests of the state and public agencies, 20 and upon formal adoption by the Controller, the 21 Controller shall promulgate the uniform procedure for 22 all public agencies electing to participate, together with 23 instructions for their adoption and implementation by 24 any public agency.

21110. In accordance with procedures and standards 26 adopted pursuant to Section 21107, every five years the commission shall consider whether there have been material changes in public construction costs and make recommendations to the Controller regarding 30 . adjustments in the monetary limits prescribed by Section 31 21202, but in no case shall the amount, as adjusted, be less 32 than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000). Any adjustment 33 shall be effective beginning with the fiscal year which commences not less than 60 days following the Controller's notification to affected public agencies of the adjustment.

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Article 3. Public Projects: Alternative Procedure

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21200. This article applies only to a public agency

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I whose governing board has by resolution elected to 2 become subject to the uniform construction cost Article 3 accounting procedures set forth in 4 (commencing with Section 21100) and which has notified the Controller of that election. In the event of a conflict 6 with any other provision of law relative to bidding procedures, this article shall apply to any public agency 7 which has adopted a resolution and so notified the Controller. 9

21201. Nothing in this article shall prohibit a board of 11 supervisors or a county road commissioner from utilizing, 12 as an alternative to the procedures set forth in this article, 13 the procedures set forth in Article 25 (commencing with

14 Section 20390) of Chapter 1.

21202. (a) Public projects of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) or less may be performed by the employees of a public agency, by force account, or by negotiated 17 18 contract.

(b) Public projects of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or less may be let to contract by purchase order

procedures as set forth in this article.

(c) Public projects of more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) but less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), may be let to contract by informal bidding procedures.

(d) Public projects of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or more shall, except as otherwise provided in this article, be let to contract by formal bidding

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21203. It shall be unlawful to split or separate into smaller work orders or projects any project for the purpose of evading the provisions of this article requiring work to be done by contract after competitive bidding.

21204. (a) Each public agency subject to this article shall adopt ordinances or regulations providing for formal and informal bidding procedures as required by this article for public projects conducted by that public

(b) Each public agency which elects to become 39 40 subject to the uniform construction accounting

procedures set forth in Article 2 (commencing with Section 21100), shall enact a purchase order ordinance to 3 govern the selection of contractors to perform public projects pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 21202. The ordinance shall include all of the following:

(1) The public agency shall maintain a list of all qualified contractors, identified according to categories

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9 (2) Before awarding a public project contract, at least 10 three bids must be received by the public agency unless any of the following occurs: 11

(A) The product or service is proprietary.

- (B) All of the qualified contractors on the list have 14 been solicited, but less than three bids have been received.
  - (3) The public agency shall solicit a sufficient number of qualified contractors from the list in order to obtain three bids.
  - (4) If at least three bids are not obtained as a result of the first bidding procedure, the public agency shall solicit qualified contractors until either three bids are received or all the contractors on the list have been solicited.
- 23 (5) Nothing shall prohibit the public agency from 24 soliciting all contractors on the list for a particular project. 21205. In cases of great emergency, as determined by 26 the governing body of the public agency, including, but not limited to, states of emergency defined in Section 8558 of the Government Code, when repair or replacements are necessary to permit the continued 30 . conduct of the operation or services of a public agency or 31 to avoid danger to life or property, the governing body 32 by majority vote, may proceed at once to replace or 33 repair any public facility without adopting plans, 34 specifications, strain sheets, or working details, or giving 35 notice for bids to let contracts. The work may be done by

37 contract, or by a combination of the two. 38 21206. Notice inviting informal bids shall be published at least once and publication shall be 40 completed at least 24 hours before the time scheduled for

36 day labor under the direction of the governing body, by

opening of the bids. The public agency may cause the 2 notice to be printed as display advertising in such form 3 and style as it deems appropriate. The notice shall describe the project in general terms and state a closing date and time for submission of the informal bids. Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the jurisdiction of the public agency, or, if there is no newspaper printed and published within the 10 jurisdiction of the public agency, in a newspaper of general circulation which is circulated in the jurisdiction of the public agency, and in addition, in a construction trade publication circulated within the jurisdiction of the 14 public agency; or, if there is no newspaper which is circulated within the jurisdiction of the public agency, 16 publication shall be by posting the notice in at least three 17 public places within the jurisdiction of the public agency as have been designated by ordinance or regulation of the public agency as places for the posting of its notices. In 20 addition to notice required by this section, the public agency may give other notice as it deems proper. 21

21207. Notice inviting formal bids shall state the time and place for the receiving and opening of sealed bids and distinctly describe the project. The notice shall be published at least 30 days before the date of opening the 26 bids in a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the jurisdiction of the public agency, and in addition, in a construction trade publication circulated 29 within the jurisdiction of the public agency; or, if there is 30 no newspaper printed and published within the 31 jurisdiction of the public agency, in a newspaper of 32 general circulation which is circulated within the 33 jurisdiction of the public agency, or, if there is no 34 newspaper which is circulated within the jurisdiction of 35 the public agency, publication shall be by posting the 36 notice in at least three places within the jurisdiction of the public agency as have been designated by ordinance 38 or regulation of the public agency as places for the posting of its notices. In addition to notice required by 40 this section, the public agency may give such other notice

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as it deems proper.

(a) In its discretion, the public agency may 21208. 3 reject any bids presented. If after the first invitation for bids all bids are rejected, after reevaluating its cost estimates of the project, the public agency shall have the option of either of the following:

. (1) Abandoning the project or readvertising for bids in

8 the manner described by this article.

(2) By passage of a resolution by a four-fifths vote of its 10 governing body declaring that the project can be performed more economically by the employees of the 12 public agency, may have the project done by force 13 account without further complying with this article.

(b) If a contract is awarded, it shall be awarded to the 15 lowest responsible bidder. If two or more bids are the 16 same and the lowest, the public agency may accept the

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(c) If no bids are received, the project may be 19 performed by employees of the public agency by force 20 account, or by informal bidding procedures set forth in 21 Section 21205 without further complying with this article.

21209. The governing body of the public agency shall 23 adopt plans, specifications, and working details for all 24 public projects of more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

21210. Any person may examine the plans, 27 specifications, or working details, or all of these, adopted

28 by the public agency for any project.

21211. This article does not apply to the construction 30 of any public building used for facilities of juvenile 31 forestry camps or juvenile homes, ranches, or camps 32 established under Article 15 (commencing with Section 33 880) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Welfare 34 and Institutions Code, if a major portion of the 35 construction work is to be performed by wards of the 36 juvenile court assigned to those camps, ranches, or 37 homes. .:1:

21212. The commission shall review the accounting 39 procedures of any participating public agency where an 40 interested party presents evidence that the work

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undertaken by the public agency falls within any of the following categories:

(a) Is to be performed by a public agency after rejection of all bids, claiming work can be done less expensively by the public agency

(b) Exceeded the force account limits.

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(c) Has been improperly classified as maintenance. 21213. In those circumstances as set forth in 9 subdivision (a) of Section 21212, a request for commission review shall be by letter received by the commission not later than five days from the date the public agency has 12 rejected all bids. In those circumstances set forth in 13 subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 21212, a request for 14 commission review shall be by letter received by the 15 commission not later than five days from the date an 16 interested party formally complains to the public agency. 17 The commission review shall commence immediately 18 and conclude within 30 days from the receipt of the 19 request for commission review. During the review of a 20 project that falls within subdivision (a) of Section 21212, 21 the agency shall not proceed on the project until a final 22 decision is received by the commission.

shall prepare written 21214. The commission 24 findings. Should the commission find that the provisions 25 of this chapter or of the uniform cost accounting 26 procedures provided for in this chapter were not 27. complied with by the public agency, the following steps

28 shall be implemented by that agency:

(a) On those projects set forth in subdivision (a) of 30 Section 21212, the public agency has the option of either (1) abandoning the project, or (2) awarding the project to the lowest responsible bidder.

(b) On those projects set forth in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 21212, the public agency shall present the 34 35 commission's findings to its governing body and that governing body shall conduct a public hearing with regard to the commission's findings within 30 days of 38 receipt of the findings.

(a) No later than January 1, 1985, the 40 commission shall recommend, for adoption by the Controller, written procedures implementing the accounting procedures review provided for in this article.

(b) The Controller shall, upon receipt of the commission's recommendation, review and evaluate the recommended procedures and either formally adopt or reject the recommended procedures within 90 days of submission of the commission.

#### IV. FINAL FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This section incorporates final findings following the interview with Mr. Barry M. Harriss and recommendations for changes in accounting and reporting procedures to facilitate more accurate and valid comparisons.

#### FINDINGS FOLLOWING THE INTERVIEW WITH THE DIRECTOR

Having concluded the interview with the Director of the Public Works Department, it had been verified that the Department does not have a good conceptualization of costs, and does not maintain cost control information. Nor does the State Uniform Cost Accounting System address the problem of cost control accounting. Thus, there exists no accountability, as to efficiency or productivity.

Mr. Harriss' own feeling was that inefficiencies had existed with respect to new construction work and asphalt production, which resulted in his termination of these activities. Now, a cost accounting system should be established to insure that efficiency exists with respect to maintenance work.

It is evident that within the Public Works Department, as is the case with the public sector as a whole, there is no direct concern with profit and loss, and, therefore, few steps are taken to be efficient. Continued existence does not depend on the ability to do a specific job more efficiently than someone else. There exists no incentive or motivation to be efficient and little penalty for inefficiency. Without continuous records showing cost effectiveness or ineffectiveness, only gross inefficiency is recognized.

The existence of this type of inefficiency had been allowed by the great gap in the record keeping system used by Putnam County. This gap

is mainly in maintaining records of quantity of work done and equipment usage. It has not been possible to accurately reconstruct cost and quantity figures for a specific project. (See Appendix II-F for an analysis of the Bannerville Bridge Project.)

The major finding of the study of the Putnam County Public Works
Department cost recording system is that it is impossible to determine
productivity for cost comparison purposes from the information that is
recorded. In order to develop unit prices one must have usable
quantities. The reports we examined are woefully inadequate in this
respect. Nor do these reports subcategorize work activities into
logical segments for use in cost comparisons.

Therefore, the attention turned to identifying and analyzing the gaps and omissions in the system currently in use, and making recommendations for use by all public agencies contemplating force account work.

The following recommendations are made because of inadequacies found at the Putnam County Public Works Department. That is, there is no adequate method for determining unit cost figures, and, therefore, there exists poor control and inadequate estimating procedures. With respect to pricing, the Public Works Department is aware that previously kept cost records for new construction are not very good. The Department is now trying to use unit prices found in industry estimating manuals like an architect or engineer would use to estimate the cost of a project. They are not, however, using actual cost figures experienced during work, and are, therefore, not determining what it would cost them to do the work.

With respect to management, two of the six "functions of management", (Plan, Organize, Staff, Direct/Supervise, Communicate, and Control), should be stressed within the Putnam County Public Works Department. These are Planning and Control. The area of Control is particularly weak.

The following is a brief description of the six "functions of management."

Managers should plan for the future prior to taking action. They should attempt to anticipate future developments in the environment and adapt their organization to expected needs. Strategic or long-run planning should exist as a process for selecting the appropriate direction suitable to the organization's resources and available opportunities. Planning techniques should also be employed for tactical (short-run) planning. The Putnam County Public Works Department has begun long-range planning with respect to the leasing of equipment.

Managers should <u>organize</u> activities by designing formal structures of authority and responsibility.

Managers should <u>staff</u> the organization by selecting, training, and evaluating people for the needed positions.

Managers should <u>direct</u> or <u>supervise</u> the work of others. They should lead others toward the organization's goals.

Managers should <u>communicate</u> with subordinates, colleagues, and superiors.

Managers should <u>control</u> activities; they should utilize processes that measure actual performance and guide it toward some predetermined goal. Within the Public Works Department, cost reports should be utilized to guide management of construction activity toward

completion of the project within the job budget.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

To serve as a guideline or model for cost accounting for public agencies and to correct the present situation within Putnam County, there needs to be some conception of accountability for use of state funds, as well as the tax revenue from the agency's own taxpayers.

To promote accountability in public agency operations we recommend:

#### 1. Cost Control System

New road construction and maintenance is quantifiable and reasonably repetitious, and, therefore, a cost accounting system can be applied. In order for this system to be efficient, there should exist timely reporting, accurate recording of quantities, accurate assignment of labor to activities, etc. A cost control system should be introduced.

Although the Public Works Department has begun implementation of a computerized maintenance system in an effort to increase efficiency, "there is no guarantee of acceptable or even meaningful results unless the input data submitted for processing is meaningful and acceptable to begin with." The Public Works Department is not now trying to develop accurate cost records through the computer. Nor does there exist appropriate quantitative, physical information relative to maintenance.

If, however, the appropriate input data were incorporated, the use of a computer, (or in other words, an information-processing device), could be seen as a powerful aid in "devising, checking, and monitoring any system of cost control."

Thus, "the computer is not an electronic brain, and it will not produce answers to questions. What can be expected is rapid and accurate processing of information submitted in strict, predetermined format. This processing takes place according to procedures developed by the user and expressed precisely in the form of statements of a computer program."

Thus, simply incorporating a computerized system does not insure that an effective cost control system will be maintained, unless the appropriate input data is included within that system.

It should be realized that a computerized system is not absolutely necessary, but functions merely as an aid.

In developing recommendations for changes in accounting and reporting procedures, sections of Walker's Practical Accounting and Cost Keeping for Contractors; Frank R. Walker Company, Publishers; Ninth Edition revised and written by Susan E. Powers and Brisbane H. Brown; 1982; were found that provide a very clear, concise, and thorough depiction of a legitimate cost accounting system. The following includes direct excerpts from this publication.

In order for a cost accounting system to be viable and to allow for the effective implementation of the six functions of management, a uniform set of cost codes should be developed to distinguish the various phases of the construction project.

There are several reasons why the cost codes are of such importance. First, they serve to distinguish and identify the many different items of work that comprise a job in a consistent and uniform manner. Walker's goes on to recommend the use of the AIA 16 divisions for the specifications, (see Appendix IV-A), and the CSI 'MASTERFORMAT'

for use where buildings are the object of the accounting and cost analysis.

For road building work such as done by the Putnam County Public Works

Department, we recommend use of the "Chart of Cost Accounts" found in

the American Road Builders' Association, Cost Accounting Manual for

Highway Contractors - A System for Cost Control, by Dan S. Brock. (See

Appendix IV-B.)

The second function of the cost codes is that they facilitate the accumulation of information over the life of a job in a manner that allows the individual to compare his estimated costs to his actual costs. For any system to be effective, it is most important that the classification of accounts be applied uniformly and consistently. This will result in cost information that can be used from estimate to estimate and job to job since the breakdowns will always be by the same classifications.

The third major function of the cost codes is that of providing uniformity and consistency for reporting and analysis of the cost information once it is accumulated.

There are several steps that must be followed to insure that cost coding is used to its maximum effectiveness.

First a system of cost codes must be selected to reflect the information that the organization requires. This will be determined by the cost accounting system and the level of detail which the agency chooses. The small agency may only require broader categories, the larger agency may have hundreds of cost accounts to accurately accumulate the information it requires. The agency must select the codes that are to be used for each type of work on every specific job.

The second phase of cost coding involves communicating these cost

codes to all the persons involved in their actual use. For estimators, they may have a master listing of codes. For the foremen, a list for each specific job should be furnished to them with specific instructions relating to the particular job.

The agency must be very careful that it does not request too much detail since this can cause the foremen to refuse to use the codes since they will be confusing and will be too time consuming. This can also cost the agency far more to maintain its system than it should.

The third main item in effective use of cost codes is that of properly instructing the foremen in the correct use of the codes. The foremen will be coding two major pieces of information with the cost codes. They are 1) man hours of labor and 2) job costs.

The proper function of the entire cost accounting system is primarily dependent on how consistently and how accurately the foreman records and codes the information coming from his crew. This is probably the most important link in the information system.

Management must follow up on the coding and regularly check that the coding is being consistently applied. The failure to regularly check the foreman's coding is an omission that can seriously affect the quality of the information in the system. If it is not coded properly at the first level, no cost accounting system will give you the proper usable information.

Once the individual has recorded the different types of work accomplished and how many hours the workmen have worked, he must accumulate and then distribute this information to the individual job records. To accomplish this, labor distribution cards, ... (see Appendix IV-Cl), are used which allow the many pieces of information from the

time cards to be summarized by cost codes so they can be transferred to the job records.

The purpose of the distribution cards is to accumulate the many different pieces of labor cost, production, and unit cost information from the time cards, into summary amounts by cost code. This information must be accumulated by cost code, since the entire estimating, building, and recording of a job is done on this basis.

To illustrate how this is actually done...Appendix IV-C2 shows a completed time card.

The information on the time card regarding the types of work and hours worked is transferred to the distribution cards...(Appendix IV-C3). This step of transferring the information from the time cards to the distribution cards is done as frequently as the time cards are brought in, preferably daily but sometimes done weekly. Many cards may be required for a large job where work is being completed in many cost categories. When it is done daily, the same card is used for the entire week. Then at the end of the week each of the distribution cards is totaled. Once each card has been totaled, the dollar amounts on all of the cards are all added together and this grand total is compared to the total payroll for the week. They should be the same if everything has been transferred correctly to the sheets. The accumulated weekly card totals (man-hours, dollars, and units of production) are then posted (written on the card) to the job cost ledgers for each category of work.

The regular upkeep of these job cost ledgers lets the agency know at any point in time its total labor, materials and costs for each job item. By comparing the total costs of each of the separate cost codes

with the total amount of work completed on that section the unit costs can be calculated.

For the busy agency regular cost reports are probably one of the most important managerial tools that it has at its disposal. They can alert the agency, while the job is in progress, of problem areas that need immediate attention as well as inform the management of the overall performance of the agency.

Unfortunately, it is often time-consuming to prepare the reports. The secret lies in assembling only the needed information in a practical, concise report that is simple to read.

Labor is the cost that an agency has the most direct control over.

Not only does it control who works, but also how many, and how long they work. For this very reason, the agency must know the details of its labor costs on a frequent basis.

Weekly, a labor cost report should be prepared...(Appendix IV-C4). As shown in the figure, the report is prepared for each job and is arranged by cost codes that have direct labor expenses. The information for this report is taken from the job cost ledgers after the weekly payroll information has been posted to them from the distribution cards.

The real value of this report is that the agency can see at a glance for the entire job how its unit costs and dollar costs for the week stand in relation to its original estimates for each category. With this kind of information, it is relatively easy to pinpoint problem areas where unit costs or total costs have varied from the estimates by significant amounts. The agency can then take action to correct the problem before it gets out of hand.

Where the weekly labor report only covers labor costs, the monthly job cost report...(Appendix IV-C5) covers all job costs. The report is prepared by job and is basically a detailed summary of the job cost ledgers with a further estimate of the projected costs to complete the work under each job cost code.

This report allows the agency to appraise the cost situation on each job by cost code.

The monthly job cost analysis report...(Appendix IV-C6) brings the job cost information from all of the jobs for the year (in progress) as well as the billing information into a single report which allows the agency to see just where it stands overall.

### 2. Equipment Accounting System

A second recommendation which we propose is that an equipment accounting system be used, not only for long term equipment replacement planning, but also for productivity analysis and maintenance scheduling.

(See sample report forms in Appendix IV-D from Cost Accounting Manual for Highway Contractors - A System for Cost Control.)

# 3. Require, Institute, and Standardize Cost Coding Accounting and Reporting Procedures

We propose that Construction Associations in Florida promote the development and passage of legislation which would require, institute, and standardize cost coding accounting and reporting procedures for public agencies contemplating force account work.

A first step may be to promote legislation similar in nature to California Bill #AB1666, which sets up a Commission to study the issue.

#### 4. In-Depth Study

The final proposal is that an in-depth study be made of force account productivity in a public agency which has a sophisticated

cost accounting and control system in effect. It would then be possible to make cost and productivity comparisons between the public and private sectors.

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APPENDIX IV-A

#### APPENDIX IV-A

Walker's Practical Accounting and Costkeeping for Contractors - 9th edition

Currently, the most widely used system of cost codes is one that is jointly produced by the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) and the Construction Specifications Canada (CSC). This master list of "MASTERFORMAT" as it is called organizes the different construction cost areas into an easily understandable, uniform list of broad categories and then further into more narrow specific cost items.

This list was originally prepared as a consistent method of organizing material for project manuals. Since its original publication, it has been widely accepted in the industry as the standard for this type of listing. As mentioned previously, the AIA organizes the bid packages and specifications by this system. This is one of the major reasons contractors are encouraged to use this system, since it is so widely used throughout the industry.

The "MASTERFORMAT", at its most basic level is arranged in 16 technical divisions and a division 0 which provides a method of standard reference and filing numbers for bidding and contract forms. They are as follows:

### Division 0 Bidding and Contract Requirements

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Division 1 General Requirements	Division 9 Finishes
Division 2 Sitework	Division 10 Specialties
Division 3 Concrete	Division 11 Equipment
Division 4 Masonry	Division 12 Furnishings
Division 5 Metals	Division 13 Special Construction
Division 6 Wood and Plastics	Division 14 Conveying Systems
Division 7 Thermal and Moisture Protection	Division 15 Mechanical
Division 8 Doors and Windows	Division 16 Electrical

These basic 17 divisions are then further broken down into a Broadscope listing, which lists the major subcategories within the division. The listing is then divided even further into a narrow scope listing which covers virtually every possible type of construction work.

Naturally, smaller jobs will not require the extensive detail in the cost accounts that larger jobs will. So, the MASTERFORMAT is arranged so that the level of detail can be suited to the job. When more detail is required, contractors can expand on the basic categories with more specific accounts relative to a particular job. This is generally done as soon as the job is awarded as the preliminary scheduling is being done.

At the most detailed level, the MASTERFORMAT allows the contractor a great deal of flexibility. For

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example in Division 3 - Concrete, sections 03200 (Concrete Reinforcement), 03250 (Concrete Accessories) and 03300 (Cast-in-Place Concrete) the following detail is shown:

03200 -10	CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT Reinforcing Steel
-20	Welded Wire Fabric
-30	Stressing Tendons
-40	Fibrous Reinforcing
03250	CONCRETE ACCESSORIES
-51	Expansion and Contraction Joints
-52	Anchors and Inserts
-53	Waterstops
03260-03299	(Reserved)
03300	CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE
-01	Concrete Admixtures
-10	Structural Concrete
-11	Normalweight Structural Concrete
-12	Heavyweight Structural Concrete
-13	Lightweight Structural
	Concrete
-14	Prestressed Structural
	Concrete
-15	Shrinkage Compensating
	Concrete
-20	Concrete Topping
-30	Architectural Concrete
-31	Normalweight Architectural
	Concrete
-32	Lightweight Architectural Concrete
-34	Prestressed Architectural Concrete
-40	Low Density Concrete
-41	Insulating Concrete
-45	Concrete Finishing
	Finishing Vertical Surfaces
	Finishing Horizontal Surfaces

The above listed code numbers are all five digits. The first two indicate the division number. The third digit is the subcategory within the division, and the fourth and fifth digits indicate the specific type of work within the subcategory.

The number 03220 would be broken down as follows:

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2	Subcategory 2 · Concrete Reinforcement
20	Type of Work - Welded Wire Fabric

For example, the above number - 03220 would be used when purchasing, using or reporting all costs incurred involving welded wire fabric for concrete reinforcement.

For the smaller contractor, this amount of detail may not be required. He would then use the Broadscope listings that applied to his job.

The MASTERFORMAT Broadscope Section Titles are as follows:

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### DIVISION 0 - BIDDING AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

00010	PRE-BID INFORMATION
00100	INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
00200	INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO BIDDERS
00300	BID/TENDER FORMS
00400	SUPPLEMENTS TO BID/TENDER FORMS
00500	AGREEMENT FORMS
00600	BONDS AND CERTIFICATES
00700	GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT
00800	SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS
00950	DRAWINGS INDEX
00900	ADDENDA AND MODIFICATIONS

#### **DIVISION 1 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

01010	SUMMARY OF WORK
01020	ALLOWANCES
01030	SPECIAL PROJECT PROCEDURES
01040	COORDINATION
01050	FIELD ENGINEERING
01060	REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS
01070	ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS
01080	IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS
01100	ALTERNATES/ALTERNATIVES
01150	MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT
01200	PROJECT MEETINGS
01300	SUBMITTALS
01400	QUALITY CONTROL
01500	CONSTRUCTION FACILITIES AND TEMPORARY CONTROLS
01600	MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT
01650	STARTING OF SYSTEMS
01660	TESTING, ADJUSTING, AND BALANCING OF SYSTEMS
-01700	CONTRACT CLOSEOUT

#### **DIVISION 2 - SITEWORK**

02010	SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION
02050	DEMOLITION
02100	SITE PREPARATION
02150	UNDERPINNING
02200	EARTHWORK
02300	TUNNELLING
02350	PILES, CAISSONS AND COFFERDAMS
02400	DRAINAGE
02440	SITE IMPROVEMENTS
02480	LANDSCAPING
02500	PAVING AND SURFACING
02590	PONDS AND RESERVOIRS
02600	PIPED UTILITY MATERIALS AND METHODS
02700	PIPED UTILITIES
02800	POWER AND COMMUNICATION UTILITIES
02850	RAILROAD WORK
02880	MARINE WORK

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#### **DIVISION 3 - CONCRETE**

03050	CONCRETING PROCEDURES
03100	CONCRETE FORMWORK

03150 FORMS

03180 FORM TIES AND ACCESSORIES 03200 CONCRETE REINFORCEMEN'T

03250 CONCRETE ACCESSORIES 03300 CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE 03350 SPECIAL CONCRETE FINISHES

03360 SPECIALLY PLACED CONCRETE

03370 CONCRETE CURING 03400 PRECAST CONCRETE 03500 CEMENTITIOUS DECKS

03600 GROUT

03700 CONCRETE RESTORATION AND CLEANING

#### **DIVISION 4 - MASONRY**

04050 MASONRY PROCEDURES

04100 MORTAR

04150 MASONRY ACCESSORIES

04200 UNIT MASONRY

04400 STONE

04500 MASONRY RESTORATION AND CLEANING

04550 REFRACTORIES

04600 CORROSION RESISTANT MASONRY

#### **DIVISION 5 - METALS**

05010 METAL MATERIALS AND METHODS

05050 METAL FASTENING

05100 STRUCTURAL METAL FRAMING

05200 METAL JOISTS

05300 METAL DECKING

05400 COLD-FORMED METAL FRAMING

05500 METAL FABRICATIONS 05700 ORNAMENTAL METAL

05800 EXPANSION CONTROL

05900 METAL FINISHES

#### **DIVISION 6 - WOOD AND PLASTICS**

06050 FASTENERS AND SUPPORTS

06100 ROUGH CARPENTRY

06130 HEAVY TIMBER CONSTRUCTION

06150 WOOD-METAL SYSTEMS

06170 PREFABRICATED STRUCTURAL WOOD

06200 FINISH CARPENTRY

06300 WOOD TREATMENT

06400 ARCHITECTURAL WOODWORK

06500 PREFABRICATED STRUCTURAL PLASTICS

06600 PLASTIC FABRICATIONS

#### **DIVISION 7 - THERMAL AND MOISTURE PROTECTION**

07100 WATERPROOFING 07150 DAMPPROOFING

### A PRACTICAL SYSTEM OF WORK CLASSIFICATION

07200 07250 07300 07400 07500 07570 07600 07800	INSULATION FIREPROOFING SHINGLES AND ROOFING TILES PREFORMED ROOFING AND SIDING MEMBRANE ROOFING TRAFFIC TOPPING FLASHING AND SHEET METAL ROOF ACCESSORIES
07900	JOINT SEALANTS

### **DIVISION 8 - DOORS AND WINDOWS**

08100	METAL DOORS AND FRAMES
08200	WOOD AND PLASTIC DOORS
08250	DOOR OPENING ASSEMBLIES
08300	SPECIAL DOORS
08400	ENTRANCES AND STOREFRONTS
08500	METAL WINDOWS
08600	WOOD AND PLASTIC WINDOWS
08650	SPECIAL WINDOWS
08700	HARDWARE
08800	GLAZING
08900	GLAZED CURTAIN WALLS

### **DIVISION 9 - FINISHES**

09100	METAL SUPPORT SYSTEMS
09200	LATH AND PLASTER
09230	AGGREGATE COATINGS
09250	GYPSUM WALLBOARD
09300	TILE
09400	TERRAZZO
09500	ACOUSTICAL TREATMENT
09550	WOOD FLOORING
09600	STONE AND BRICK FLOORING
09650	RESILIENT FLOORING
09680	CARPETING
09700	SPECIAL FLOORING
09760	FLOOR TREATMENT
••••	SPECIAL COATINGS
09800	
09900	PAINTING
09950	WALL COVERING

### DIVISION 10 - SPECIALITIES

10100	CHALKBOARDS AND TACKBOARDS
10150	COMPARTMENTS AND CUBICLES
10200	LOUVERS AND VENTS
10240	GRILLES AND SCREENS
10250	SERVICE WALL SYSTEMS
10260	WALL AND CORNER GUARDS
10270	ACCESS FLOORING
10280	SPECIALTY MODULES
10290	PEST CONTROL
10300	PROPERTY ACES AND STOVES
10340	PREFABRICATED STEEPLES, SPIRES, AND CUPOLAS
10350	FLAGPOLES

#### PRACTICAL ACCOUNTING

10400	IDENTIFYING DEVICES
10450	PEDESTRIAN CONTROL DEVICES
10500	LOCKERS
10520	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, CABINETS, AND ACCESSORIES
10530	PROTECTIVE COVERS
10550	POSTAL SPECIALTIES
10600	PARTITIONS
10650	SCALES
10670	STORAGE SHELVING
10700	EXTERIOR SUN CONTROL DEVICES
10750	TELEPHONE ENCLOSURES
10800	TOILET AND BATH ACCESSORIES
10900	WARDROBE SPECIALTIES

### **DIVISION 11 - EQUIPMENT**

DI 1101	y
11010	MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT
11020	SECURITY-AND VAULT EQUIPMENT
11030	CHECKROOM EQUIPMENT
11040	ECCLESIASTICAL EQUIPMENT
11050	LIBRARY EQUIPMEN'I'
11060	THEATER AND STAGE EQUIPMENT
11070	MUSICAL EQUIPMENT
11080	REGISTRATION EQUIPMENT
11100	MERCANTILE EQUIPMENT
11110	COMMERCIAL LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING EQUIPMENT
11120	VENDING EQUIPMENT
11130	AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT
11140	SERVICE STATION EQUIPMENT
11150	PARKING EQUIPMENT
11160	LOADING DOCK EQUIPMENT
11170	WASTE HANDLING EQUIPMENT
11190	DETENTION EQUIPMENT
11200	WATER SUPPLY AND TREATMENT EQUIPMENT
11300	FLUID WASTE DISPOSAL AND TREATMENT EQUIPMENT
11400	FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT
11450	RESIDENTIAL EQUIPMENT
11460	UNIT KITCHENS
11470	DARKROOM EQUIPMENT ATHLETIC, RECREATIONAL, AND THERAPEUTIC EQUIPMENT
11480	ATHLETIC, RECREATIONAL, AND THISRAL BOTTO BOOK MASSIVE
11500	INDUSTRIAL AND PROCESS EQUIPMENT
11600	LABORATORY EQUIPMENT PLANETARIUM AND OBSERVATORY EQUIPMENT
11650	PLANETARIUM AND OBSERVATORE BROTT MEST
11700	MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
11780	MORTUARY EQUIPMENT TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT
11800	I EPECOMMODIATOR FOLDMENAL
11850	NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

### **DIVISION 12 - FURNISHINGS**

12100	ARTWORK
12300	MANUFACTURED CABINETS AND CASEWORK
12500	WINDOW TREATMENT
12550	FABRICS
12600	FURNITURE AND ACCESSORIES
12670	RUGS AND MATS

### A PRACTICAL SYSTEM OF WORK CLASSIFICATION

12700 MULTIPLE SEATING

12800 INTERIOR PLANTS AND PLANTINGS

### **DIVISION 13 - SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION**

13010 AIR SUPPORTED STRUCTURES

13020 INTEGRATED ASSEMBLIES

13030 AUDIOMETRIC ROOMS

13040 CLEAN ROOMS

13050 HYPERBARIC ROOMS

13060 INSULATED ROOMS

13070 INTEGRATED CEILINGS 13080 SOUND, VIBRATION, AND SEISMIC CONTROL

E3090 RADIATION PROTECTION

13100 NUCLEAR REACTORS

13110 OBSERVATORIES

13120 PRE-ENGINEERED STRUCTURES

13130 SPECIAL PURPOSE ROOMS AND BUILDINGS

13140 VAULTS

13150 POOLS

13160 ICE RINKS

13170 KENNELS AND ANIMAL SHELTERS

13200 SEISMOGRAPHIC INSTRUMENTATION

13210 STRESS RECORDING INSTRUMENTATION

13220 SOLAR AND WIND INSTRUMENTATION

13410 LIQUID AND GAS STORAGE TANKS

13510 RESTORATION OF UNDERGROUND PIPELINES

13520 FILTER UNDERDRAINS AND MEDIA

13530 DIGESTION TANK COVERS AND APPURTENANCES

13540 OXYGENATION SYSTEMS

13550 THERMAL SLUDGE CONDITIONING SYSTEMS

13560 SITE CONSTRUCTED INCINERATORS

13600 UTILITY CONTROL SYSTEMS

13700 INDUSTRIAL AND PROCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS

13800 OIL AND GAS REFINING INSTALLATIONS AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

13900 TRANSPORTATION INSTRUMENTATION

13940 BUILDING AUTOMATION SYSTEMS

13970 FIRE SUPPRESSION AND SUPERVISORY SYSTEMS

13980 SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

13990 WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS

### **DIVISION 14 - CONVEYING SYSTEMS**

14100 DUMBWAITERS

14200 ELEVATORS

14300 HOISTS AND CRANES

14400 LIFTS

14500 MATERIAL HANDLING SYSTEMS

14600 TURNTABLES

14700 MOVING STAIRS AND WALKS

14800 POWERED SCAFFOLDING

14900 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

#### DIVISION 15 - MECHANICAL

15050 BASIC MATERIALS AND METHODS

15200 NOISE, VIBRATION, AND SEISMIC CONTROL

#### PRACTICAL ACCOUNTING

15250	INSULATION
15300	SPECIAL PIPING SYSTEMS
15400	PLUMBING SYSTEMS
15450	PLUMBING FIXTURES AND TRIM
15500	FIRE PROTECTION
15600	POWER OR HEAT GENERATION
15650	REFRIGERATION
15700	LIQUID HEAT TRANSFER
15800	AIR DISTRIBUTION
15900	CONTROLS AND INSTRUMENTATION

#### **DIVISION 16 - ELECTRICAL**

16050	BASIC MATERIALS AND METHODS
16200	POWER GENERATION
16300	POWER TRANSMISSION
16400	SERVICE AND DISTRIBUTION
16500	LIGHTING
16600	SPECIAL SYSTEMS
16700	COMMUNICATIONS
16850	HEATING AND COOLING
16900	CONTROLS AND INSTRUMENTATION

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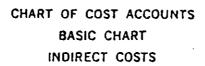
## CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS BASIC CHART INDIRECT COSTS



### COST SECTION A

GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE & JOB OVERHEAD (to be used for Parent Company, Divisions, Subsidiaries & Jobs)

1	Total Costs	27	Business Promotion - Total
2	Total Costs Excluding Taxes On Income	28	Industry Expense/Associations - Total
3	Indirect Costs - Total	29	Contributions - Total
4	Indirect Costs Excluding Taxes On Income Total	30	Office & Office Expense - Total
5	Labor - Total	31	Office Building & Space - Total
6	Salaries & Wages - Total	32	Office Expense - Total
7	Idle Time - Total	33	Communications - Total
8	Premium Time - Total	34	Data Processing - Total
9	Benefits - Total	35	Safety, First Aid & Medical - Total
10	Recruiting & Hiring - Total	36	Financing • Total
11	Employee Identification - Total	37	Warehouse & Storage Yard - Total
12		38	Real Estate & Land Development - Total
	Payroll Taxes Applied - Total	39	Explorations & Options - Total
13 14	Bonds & Insurance - Total  Bonds - Total	40	Cost Credits For Payroll Taxes, Insurance & Overhead - Total
15	Insurance Total	41	Small Tools & Expendable Supplies - Total
16	Insurance Based On Payroll/Gross Receipts - Total	42	Winter Reserve - Total
17	Insurance - Other - Total	43	Loans To Officers & Employees - Total
18	Taxes - Total	44	Life Insurance On Executives - Total
19	Taxes Based On Payroll - Total	45	Directors' Fees - Total
20	Taxes - Other - Total	46	Stock Registration & Transfer Fees - Total
21	Taxes On Income - Total	47	Provision For Bad Debts - Total
22	Travel Expense - Total	48	Jobs Closed Out In Prior Years - Total
23	Sales Commissions - Total	49	Miscellaneous Expense - Unallocated - Total
24	Bonuses - Total	50	Inventory Adjustments - Total
25	Professional Services - Total	51	Gain Or Loss On Sale Of Assets - Total
26	Bidding Expense - Total	_	(Continued)



#### COST SECTION A

GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE & JOB OVERHEAD (Continued) (to be used for Parent Company, Divisions, Subsidiaries & Jobs)

52 - 53	Open	73	Expense - Total
54	General Job Overhead - Total	74	Revenue - Total
55	Job Plant Set Up - Total	75	Aviation Equipment Expense & Revenue Total
56	Other Job Overhead - Total	76	Expense - Total
57	Camp Expense & Revenue - Total	77	Revenue - Total
58	Expense - Total		
59	Revenue - Total	78 - 79	Open
60 - 62	Ореп	80	Back-Charges Expense & Revenue - Total
63	Equipment Expense & Revenue - Total	81	Expense - Total
64	Expense • Total	82	Revenue - Total
65	Revenue · Total	83 - 84	Open
		85	Clearing Accounts - Total
66	Automotive Equipment Expense & Revenue - Total	86	Overhead Charges To Divisions,
67	Expense - Total		Subsidiaries, Profit Centers & Jobs By Parent Company, Divisions & Subsidiaries - Total
68	Revenue - Total	87 - 89	Open
69	Construction Equipment & Plant Expense & Revenue - Total*	90	Labor Control Account - Total
70	Expense - Total	91 - 99	Open
71	Revenue - Total	ott it in	decired to engage to "Construction ""- "
72	Marine Equipment Expense & Revenue - Total	ment" a	desired to separate "Construction Equip- and "Plant," a new series of accountinum- by be assigned for "Plant."



### CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS BASIC CHART

## COST SECTION B OPEN FOR FUTURE ASSIGNMENT



### COST SECTION C MOBILIZATION, SITE PREPARATION & GRADING

_	MOBILIZATION & SITE PREPARATION -	41 - 42	Ореп
1 0	1 Direct Cost - Total		Excavation - Unsuitable Material/ Peat/Muck - Total
2	Mobilization, Site Preparation & Grading - Total	44	Excavation - Dredging - Total
3	Mobilization - Total (use when a bid item)	45	Ореп
4	Site Preparation - Total	46	Excavation - Shells - Total
5	Clearing & Grubbing - Total	47	Excavation - Pervious Material -
6	Existing Facilities/Features - Remove/ Modify - Total	48	Sand/Gravel - Total
7 - 21	(Assigned As Subdivisions Under	70	Open
	Account 6 in the Expanded Chart)	49	Excavation - Channel - Earth - Dry - Total
22 - 24	Open	50	Excavation - Channel - Earth - Wet - Total
25	— GRADING —  Grading - Total	51	Excavation - Channel - Rock - Dry - Total
23	dibding - 10tal		
26	Excavation - Total	52	Excavation - Channel - Rock - Wet - Total
27	Strip Topsoil - Total		(Drill, Blast, Load, Haul & Place)
28	Strip & Stockpile Topsoil - Total	53	Excavation - Shoulder/Ditch - Total
29	Strip Unsuitable Material - Total	54	Overhaul - Total
30	Load, Haul & Spread Topsoil From Stockpile - Total	55	Embankment - Total
31	Excavation - Unclassified - Total	56	Embankment - Earth - Compacted - Total
32	Excavation - Earth - Total	57	Embankment - Earth - Uncompacted - Total
33 - 35	Open		
36	Excavation - Rock - Total	58	Embankment - Rock - Compacted - Total
37	Excavation - Rock - Total (Drill, Blast, Load, Haul & Place)	59	Embankment - Rock - Uncompacted - Total
38	Excavation - Rock - Total (Rip, Load, Haul & Place)	60	Embankment - Earth & Rock Mixed/ Unclassified - Compacted - Total
39	Excavation - Boulders - Total	61	Embankment - Earth & Rock Mixed/ Unclassified - Uncompacted - Total
40	Excavation - Borrow - Total		(Continued)



## COST SECTION C MOBILIZATION, SITE PREPARATION & GRADING (Continued)

62	Embankment - Pervious Material - Compacted - Total
63	Embankment - Pervious Material - Uncompacted - Total
64	Embankment - Muck Blanket - Tota
65	Settlement Platforms - Total
66	Compaction Tests - Total
67	Dust/Pollution Control - Total
68	Trim Roadway, Shoulders & Slopes -
	Total
69	Build/Maintain Haul Roads - Total
70	Rock Protection - Total
71	Rip Rap - Total
72 - 99	Open



### COST SECTION D DRAINAGE

1	Drainage - Total	26	Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Double Strength - Mortar Joints - Total
2	Excavation - Total		
3	Open	27	Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Single Strength - Rubber Gasket Joints - Total
4	Excavation - Trench - Total	28	Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Double Strength -
5	Excavation - Drainage Structures - Total		Rubber Gasket Joints - Total
6	Backfill - Trench, Drainage Structures - Total	29	Pipe - Asbestos Cement - Total
-		30	Pipe - Bituminized Fiber - Total
7	Excavation - Ditches - Inlet/Outlet - Total	31	Pipe - Cast Iron - Total
8	Sheeting & Shoring - Total	32	Pipe - Ductile Iron - Total
9	Dewatering - Total		
10 - 1	1 Open	33	Pipe - Steel - Total
12	Pipe - Total	34	Half-Pipe - Reinforced Cement Concrete - Total
13	Pipe - Plain Cement Concrete - Total	35	Half-Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Total
14	Pipe - Reinforced Cement Concrete - Mortar Joints - Total	36	Half-Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Total
15	Pipe - Reinforced Cement Concrete - Rubber Gasket Joints - Total	37	Half-Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Bituminous Coated - Total
16	Pipe - Elliptical Reinforced Cement Concrete - Total	38 - 42	Open
17	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Total	43 N	Miscellaneous Drainage Items - Total
		44	Existing Pipe Work - Total
18	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Bituminous Paved Invert - Total	45	Boring - Total
19	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Bituminous Coated - Total	46	Pipe Jacking - Total
20	Dina Communicated Material Ashartas Boundard	47 - 49	Open
20	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Asbestos Bonded - Total	50 C	Prainage Structures - Total
21	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Nestable - Total	51	Inlets Complete - Total
22	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Arch - Total	52	Catch Basins Complete - Total
23	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Nestable Arch - Total	53	Manholes Complete - Total
24	Pipe - Corrugated Metal - Plate Arch - Total	54	Miscellaneous Drainage Structures - Total
25-	Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Single Strength -	55	Open
	Mortar Joints - Total		(Continued)

## COST SECTION D DRAINAGE (Continued)

56	Underdrain - Total	70	Timber/Lumber Total
57	Pipe Underdrain - Complete - Total	71	Masonry - Total
58	Pipe Outlets - Complete - Total	72	Masonry - Stone - Total
59	French Drains/Subgrade Drains - Complete - Total	73	Masonry - Brick - Total
60	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Pipe -	74	Masonry - Block - Total
	Concrete - Total	75	Concrete For Drainage - Total
61	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Pipe - Clay - Total	76	Concrete For Inlets/Catch Basins/ Manholes - Total
62	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated	77	Concrete For Headwalls - Total
63	Corrugated Metal - Total	78	Concrete For Miscellaneous Structures - Total
63	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Corrugated Metal - Bituminous Paved Invert - Total	79	Open
64	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Corrugated Metal - Bituminous Coated - Total	08	Concrete Forms For Drainage Structures - Total
65	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Bituminized Fiber - Total	81	Reinforcing Steel For Drainage Structures - Total
	·	82	Castings - Total
66	Pipe For Underdrain - Perforated Asbestos Cement - Total	83	Steel Frames & Grates - Total
67	Pipe For Underdrain - Clay Farm Drain - Total	84	Miscellaneous Metal - Total
68	Pipe For Underdrain - Concrete Farm	85	Drainage Gates - Total
00	Drain - Total	86	Orainage Pumping Station - Total
69	Aggregate Backfill - Total	87 - 99	Open

### COST SECTION E

1	Utilities - Total	29	Miscellaneous Gas Operations - Total
2	Utilities Excavation - Total	30	Concrete - Total
3	Excavation - Utility Trench - Total	31 - 32	Open
4	Excavation - Utility Structures - Total	33 S	Sewer System Complete - Total
5	Backfill - Trench/Structures - Total	34	Sewers - Total
6	Sheeting & Shoring - Total	35	Sewer Pipe - Total
7	Dewatering - Total	36	Sewer Pipe - Concrete - Total
8 - 9	Open	37	Sewer Pipe - Vitrified Clay - Total
10	Water System Complete - Total	38	Sewer Pipe - Metal - Total
11	Water Pipe - Total	39	Pipe Inspection & Tests - Total
12	Fittings • Total	40	Sewer Manholes Complete - Total
13	Valves/Meters/Fountains - Total	41	Sewage Pumping Station Complete - Total
14	Hydrants - Total	42	Sewage Disposal Facilities - Total
15	Tests/Sterilization - Total	43	Sewage Treatment Plant - Total
16	Water Manholes Complete - Total	44	House Connections - Total
17	Pumping Station Complete - Total	45	Miscellaneous Sewer Operations - Total
18	Wells - Total	46	Miscellaneous Structures · Total
19	Water Tower/Tank - Total	47	Concrete · Total
	Sprinkling/Irrigation System Complete -	48 - 49	Open
20	Total	50 E	lectrical Facilities - Total
21	Miscellaneous Water Operations - Total	51	Wiring - Total
22	Concrete - Total	52	Conduit/Duct - Total
23 .	24 Open	53	Transformers - Total
25	Gas Line System Complete - Total	54	Lights - Total
26	Gas Lines - Total	55	Signals - Total
27	Gas Pipe/Accessories - Total	56	Signs - Total (Electrical/Control Facilities)
28	Gas Manholes Complete - Tota!		(Continued)



## COST SECTION E UTILITIES (Continued)

57 58	Electrical Manholes Complete - Total  Miscellaneous Electrical Structures - Total	72	Miscellaneous Telephone/Telegraph Accessories - Total
59	Miscellaneous Electrical Facilities - Total	73	Miscellaneous Telephone/Telegraph Operations - Total
60	Miscellaneous Electrical Accessories - Total	74	Concrete - Total
61	Miscellaneous Electrical Operations - Total	75 - 76	Open
62	Concrete - Total	77	Radio Facilities - Total
63 - 64	Open	78 - 79	Open
65	Communications - Total	80	Railroads - Total
66	Telephone/Telegraph - Total	81	Excavation - (Use accounts in Section C)  Track - Total
67	Wiring - Total	82	Track Specials - Total
68	Conduit/Duct - Total	83	Railroad Electrical Facilities - Total
69	Manholes Complete - Total	84	Miscellaneous Railroad Operations - Total
70	Miscellaneous Telephone/Telegraph Structures - Total	85	Concrete - Total Railroad Telephone/Telegraph
71	Miscellaneous Telephone/Telegraph Facilities - Total	86 - 99	(Use Communications Accounts)  Open

### COST SECTION F STRUCTURES

1 Stru	uctures - Total	38	Piles - Timber - Treated - Total
2 E	excavation - Total	39	Piles - Cast-In-Place Concrete - Steel Shell - Total
3	Excavation - Unclassified - Total		
4 - 7	(Assigned as subdivisions under	40	Piles - Cast-in-Drilled Hole Concrete - Total
	Account 3 in the Expanded Chart)	41	Piles - Cast-in-Place Concrete - Steel Pipe - Open End - Total
8	Open		·
9	Excavation - Earth - Total	42	Piles - Cast-in-Place Concrete - Steel Pipe - Closed End - Total
10 - 13	(Assigned as subdivisions under Account 9 in the Expanded Chart)	43	Piles - Pre-cast Concrete - Total
14 - 16	Open	44	Piles - Pre-Cast Pre-Stressed Concrete - Total
17	Excavation - Rock - Total	45	Piles - Pre-Cast Concrete Sheet - Total
18 - 19	(Assigned as subdivisions under Account 17 in the Expanded	46	Piles - Steel Sheet - Total
	Chart)	47	Piles - Composite - Total
20 - 22	Open	48	Drill Shaft - Total
23	Sheeting & Shoring · Total	49	Open
24	Fine Grade Footings - Total	50	Pile Load Test - Total
25	Granular Backfill Under Footings - Total	51	Casting Yard for Piles/Beams/Girders - Total
26	Membrane Seal Under Footings - Total	52	Ореп
27	Backfill - Total		·
28	Dikes - Total	53 54	Marine & Cofferdams - Total (Assigned as subdivision under Account 53 in the Expanded Chart)
29	Excavation - Channel Diversion - Total	55	Caissons - Air - Total
30	Excavation - Temporary Roads & Working Platforms - Total	56	Caissons - Open & Drilled - Total
31	Dewatering - Total	57	Open
32 T	Test Borings/Drilling & Grouting - Total	58	Concrete Complete - Total
33 - 34	Open	59	Concrete Complete Including Reinforcing Steel - Total
35 F	Piles - Total	60	Concrete - Total
36	Piles - Steel H - Total	61	Concrete - Ready Mix/Purchased - Total
37	Piles - Timber - Untreated - Total		(Continued)

## COST SECTION F STRUCTURES (Continued)

62	Concrete - Job Produced - Total	74	Heavy Iron & Steel - Total
63	Clearing Account For Job Produced Concrete - Total	75	Structural Steel - Total
64	Concrete - Place Complete - Total	76	Miscellaneous Steel - Total
65	Concrete Operations/Accessories - Total	<b>7</b> 7	Re-Erect Steel & Steel Structures - Total
66	Open	78	Miscellaneous Metals - Total
67	Concrete Forms - Total	79	Temporary Facilities - Total
68	Clearing Account For Form Materials - Total	80	Repairs/Modifications To Existing Structures - Total
69	Reinforcing Steel - Total	81	Remove Existing Structures - Total
70	Clearing Account For Reinforcing Steel -	82	Electrical Facilities For Structures - Total
	Total	83	Bridge Operating Machinery - Total
71	Erect Pre-Cast Or Pre-Cast Pre-Stressed Units - Total	84	Crib Type Retaining Wall - Total
72	Masonry - Total	.85	Miscellaneous - Total
73	Ореп	86 - 99	Open Open



### COST SECTION G PAVEMENTS

1	Pavements - Total	25	Bituminous Applications - Total (See Details In Expanded Chart -
2	Subgrade - Total		Accounts 17.00 - 17.99)
3	Subbase For Pavement - Total	26	Existing Base Course Modifications - Total
4	Subbase Aggregates - Total	27 - 21	B Open
5	Subbase Binders - Total	29	Clearing Account For Base Course Mixing Plant Operation - Total
6	Bituminous Applications - Total	30	Bituminous Pavement - Total
7 .	Subbase For Shoulders - Total	31	Hot Plant Mix - Total
8	Subbase Aggregates - Total	32	Cold Plant Mix - Total
9	Subbase Binders - Total	33	Asphalt Emulsion Mix - Total
10	Bituminous Applications - Total	34	Sheet Asphalt - Total
11	Existing Subbase Modifications - Total	35	Sand Asphalt - Total
12	Ореп	36	Bitumens & Bituminous Applications - Total
13	Clearing Account For Subbase Mixing Plant Operation - Total	37	Existing Bituminous Pavement  Modifications - Total
14	Base Course For Pavement - Total		
15	Base Course Aggregates - Total	38 - 4	•
16	Base Course Binders - Total	41	Clearing Account For Asphalt Plant - Total
	Bituminous Applications - Total	42	Concrete Pavement - Total
17 18	Base Course For Shoulders - Total	43	Standard Plain P.C. Concrete Pavement - Total
19	Base Course Aggregates - Total	44	Standard Reinforced P.C. Concrete
20	Base Course Binders - Total	77	Pavement - Total
21	Bituminous Applications - Total	45	Standard Continuous Reinforced P.C. Concrete Pavement - Total
22	Pavement Of Types Listed Above For Base Course - Total (See Details in Expanded Chart - Accounts 14.00 - 14.99)	46	Slip-Form Plain P.C. Concrete Pavement - Total
23	Pavement Aggregates - Total (See Details In Expanded Chart -	47	Slip-Form Reinforced P.C. Concrete Pavement - Total
	Àccounts 15.00 - 15.99)	48	Slip-Form Continuous Reinforced P.C.
24	Pavement Binders - Total (See Details In Expanded Chart -		Concrete Pavement - Total
	Accounts 16.00 - 16.99)		(Continued)



## COST SECTION G PAVEMENTS (Continued)

49 - 51	Open	63	Concrete Gutter - Total
52	Concrete Base - Total	64	Concrete Median Divider - Total
53	Standard Plain P.C. Concrete Base - Total	65	Concrete Spillway/Trench Paving - Total
54	Standard Reinforced P.C. Concrete Base -	66	Concrete Patching - Total
	Total	67	Sidewalk/Miscellaneous - Total
55	Slip-Form Plain P.C. Concrete Base - Total Slip-Form Reinforced P.C. Concrete Base -	68	Miscellaneous Curb - Total
56	Total	69	Ореп
57	Traffic Control For Roadway/Shoulder/ Widening Base & Pavement Built Under Traffic - Total	70	Clearing Account For Dry Batch Concrete Plant For Pavement - Total
58	Ореп	71	Clearing Account For Central Mix Concrete Plant For Pavement - Total
59	Miscellaneous Items - Total	72	Protective Coating For Concrete Pavement -
60	Miscellaneous Concrete - Total	,,	Total
61	Concrete Curb - Total	73	Miscellaneous Pavement - Total
62	Concrete Curb & Gutter - Total	74 - 99	9 Open



### COST SECTION H TRAFFIC CONTROL

1	Traffic Control - Total	28	Metal Beam Guard Rail - Total
2	Maintenance & Protection Of Traffic - Total (Use when a bid item)	29	Open
	tose when a sid item)	30	Timber Guard Rail - Total
	- TEMPORARY FACILITIES -	31	Rock Boulder Barrier - Total
3	Temporary Facilities/Detours - Total	32	Other Guard Rail/Accessories - Total
4	Excavation - Total	33	Guard Posts - Total
5	Embankment - Total	34	Barricades Left In Place - Total
6	Drainage - Total	35 - 37	Open
7	Base Course - Total	38	Median Barrier - Total
8	Pavement - Total	39	Fencing - Total
9	Dust/Pollution Control - Total	40	Woven Wire - Total
10	Barricades - Total	41	Chain Link - Total
11	Signs - Total	42	Barbed Wire - Total
12	Lighting - Total	43	Other Types - Total
13	Signals - Total	44	Open
14	Markers - Total	45	Signs - Total
15	Channelization/Curbing - Total	46	Metal Signs - Total
16	Guard Rail - Total	47	Wood Signs - Total
17	Fence - Total	48	Illuminated Signs - Total
18	Flagmen - Total	49	Changeable Message Signs - Total
19	Remove/Reconstruct/Modify Existing Facilities - Total	50	Flashing Beacon Signs - Total
20 - 2	_	51	Other Signs - Total
		52 - 54	Ореп
	- PERMANENT FACILITIES -	55	Lighting - Total
25	Permanent Facilities - Total	56 · 57	Open
26	Guard Rail - Total	58	Signals - Total
27	Cable Guard Rail - Total		(Continued)



## COST SECTION H TRAFFIC CONTROL\_(Continued)

59	Flashing Warning Signals - Total
60	Traffic Control Signals - Total
61	Railroad Crossing Signals - Total
62	School/Pedestrian Crossing Signals Total
63	Road Condition Signals - Total
64	Other Signals - Total
65	Open
66	Markers - Total
67 - 69	Open
70	Truck Inspection/Weigh Station - Total
71	Toll Collection Facility - Total
72	Miscellaneous Items - Total
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CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS

JOB DIRECT COSTS

EXPANDED CHART

COST SECTION I
OPEN FOR FUTURE ASSIGNMENT



### COST SECTION J LANDSCAPING & ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT

1	Landscaping & Roadside Development - Total	27 Planting Trees/Shrubs/Vines - Total
	LANDSCAPING	28 Planting Trees - Total
2	Landscaping - Total	29 Planting Shrubs - Total
3	Site Preparation - Total	30 Planting Vines - Total
4	Site Grading - Total	31 Direct Seeding - Tree Seeds - Total
5	Topsoil - Total	32 Transplant/Remove & Reset Plants - Total
	Preparing Planting Area - Total	33 - 34 Open
6	• •	35 Marker Signs - Total
7	Seeding/Sodding/Sprigging Complete - Total	36 Miscellaneous Items - Total
8	Seeding Complete - Total	37 - 39 Open
9	Sodding Complete - Total	
10	Sprigging Complete - Total	— ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT —
11	Soil Treatment - Total	40 Roadside Development - Total
12	Lime - Total	41 Buildings - Total
13	Fertilizer - Total	42 Engineers' Field Office - Total
14	Grass Seed · Total	43 Engineers' Field Laboratory - Total
15	Sod - Total	44 Engineers' Field Office & Laboratory - Total
16	Sprigs - Total	45 Other Buildings - Total
17	Mulch - Total	46 - 47 Open
18	Hydro Seeding/Nozzle Planting - Total	48 Rest Areas - Total
19	Overseeding & Fertilizing - Total	49 Site Preparation - Total
20	Ground Cover - Total	50 Picnic/Rest Facilities - Total
21	Erosion Control/Slope & Ditch Protection - Total	Refuse Facilities - Total (See Expanded Chart for Details)
22	Maintenance - Total	52 Miscellaneous Facilities/Operations - Total
23	Salvaging & Replacing Sod - Total	53 Travel Trailer Facilities - Total
24	Edging - Total	54 Car Bumpers - Total
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### COST SECTION J LANDSCAPING & ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT (Continued)

55	Walkways - Totai
56	Utilities - Total
57	Electrical Facilities Complete - Total
58	Water Systems Complete - Total
59	Plumbing - Total
60	Heating - Total
61	Air Conditioning - Total
62	Sanitary Facilities - Total (See Expanded Chart for Details)
63	Communications · Facilities · Total
64	Fire Protection Systems - Total
65	Equipment Servicing Facilities - Total
66	Compressed Gas/Air Systems - Total
67	Fuel Storage & Dispensing Systems - Total
68	Miscellaneous Items - Total
69 - 99	Open



## JOB DIRECT COSTS BASIC CHART

### COST SECTION K SPECIAL ITEMS

Accounts 1 to 99 may be used for special contract items and special items of work which are not readily classified under previous direct cost sections.

- 1 Special Items Total
- 2 99 Open

## CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS JOB DIRECT COSTS EXPANDED CHART

COST SECTIONS L-M-N-O
OPEN FOR FUTURE ASSIGNMENT



### COST SECTION P EXTRA WORK/CONTRACT CHANGES/CLAIMS

#### 1 - 99 Open

Use this section to record cost for Extra Work and Contract Changes to provide Owner with a segregated and detailed tabulation of costs for authorized Extra Work and Contract Changes when prior agreement on price has not been reached, and for work claimed by Contractor to be outside the scope of the contract, pending resolution of payment status (whether contract or extra work) by Contractor and Owner. It may also be used for authorized Force Account Work.

This section may also be used for similar situations relating to sub-contractors, material suppliers, equipment dealers and manufacturers and other agencies.

Direct Costs recorded should include in addition to the job direct costs for work items, such costs as cancellation charges, extra vendor charges, special equipment costs, special engineering costs and any directly related costs that would normally be recorded as indirect costs.

The Indirect Costs may be used to support the actual percentage relationship of job indirect costs and company indirect costs to the direct costs when an inadequate allowance is provided in the contract or offered in negotiations. If such Extra Work goes to formal claim procedures for settlement, these records will be invaluable supporting evidence for your claim.

This section should be used as a clearing account. After agreement on payment, the costs should be transferred to the appropriate sections and work items, leaving a zero balance in this section.



### CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS BASIC CHART

### COST SECTION Q EQUIPMENT COSTS

Equipment Costs - Total (Use sub-account numbers 1.01 to 1.99 (as in Expanded Chart) for additional cost summaries and sub-totals as desired.)

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3 - 99 Assign one account number to each type of equipment used, with a sub-account number for each equipment unit. For an unusually large equipment fleet the sub-sub-account numbers may also be used.

### Recommended groupings:

- 1. Automotive Equipment
  Personnel Vehicles
  Trucks
  Trailers
- 2. Construction Equipment
  Detail as necessary by types
- 3. Fixed Plant
  Detail as necessary by types
- 4. Marine Equipment
  Detail as necessary by types
- 5. Aviation Equipment
  Detail as necessary

Costs charged against each unit of equipment or plant to include direct costs, equipment division indirect costs, and division/subsidiary/corporate indirect costs as appropriate, using sub-account numbers 1.01 to 1.99 as required.

Each equipment unit should be identified by a number that identifies the type as well as unit. For example, Bulldozers may be assigned type number 12, with each unit numbered from one chronologically as purchased, allowing sufficient numbers for each type for a ten year period before reusing numbers previously assigned.

A supplementary designation should be used for rented/leased equipment which should be included for costing.



## CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS BASIC CHART PROFIT CENTERS

### COST SECTION R QUARRIES & SAND/GRAVEL PITS/PLANTS

1	Profit Centers - Total	31 - 39	Open
2	Expense - Total	40 Sa	nd/Gravel Pits/Plants Profit Center - Total
3	Revenue - Total	41	Expense - Total
4	Quarries Profit Center - Total	42	Revenue - Total
5	Expense - Total	43	Sand/Gravel Pit/Plant No. 1 Profit Center - Total
6	Revenue - Total	44	Expense - Total
7	Quarry No. 1 Profit Center - Total	45	Pit Operation - Total
8	Expense - Total	46	Washing/Crushing/Screening Plant Operation - Total
9	Quarry Operation - Total	47	Stockpile Material - Total
10	Crushing Plant Operation - Total	48	Load Sand & Gravel - Total
11	Stockpile Material - Total	49	Deliver Sand & Gravel - Total
12	Load Crushed Aggregate - Total	50	Revenue - Total
13	Deliver Crushed Aggregate - Total	51 - 58	Sand/Gravel Pit/Plant No. 2 Profit
14	Revenue - Total		Center - Total (Use same accounts as above)
15 ·	Quarry No. 2 Profit Center • Total (Use same accounts as above)	59 66	Sand 'Gravel Pit 'Plant No. 3 Profit Center - Total (Use same accounts as above)
23 -	Quarry No. 3 Profit Center - Total (Use same accounts as above)	67 - 99	Open



## CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS · BASIC CHART PROFIT CENTERS

### COST SECTION S ASPHALT, CONCRETE & PRE-CAST/PRE-STRESSED CONCRETE PLANTS

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1 1	Profit Centers - Total	37	Revenue - Total
2	Expense - Total	38 - 45	Concrete Plant No. 2 Profit Center - Total
3	Revenue - Total		(Use same accounts as above)
4	Asphalt Plants Profit Center - Total	46 - 53	Concrete Plant No. 3 Profit Center - Total
5	Expense - Total		(Use same accounts as above)
6	Revenue - Total	54 - 55	Open
7	Asphalt Plant No. 1 Profit Center - Total		re-Cast/Pre-Stressed Concrete Plants Profit Center - Total
8	Expense - Total	57	Expense - Total
9	Materials - Total	58	Revenue - Total
10	Plant Operation - Total	59	Pro Cart / Dro Stroomed Companie Blank No.
11	Deliver Mix - Total		Pre-Cast/Pre-Stressed Concrete Plant No. 1 Profit Center - Total
12	Revenue - Total	60	Expense - Total
13 - 1		61	Concrete Complete - Total
	Total (Use same accounts as above)	62	Furnish Concrete - Total
19 - 2	4 Asphalt Plant No. 3 Profit Center - Total	63	Forms - Total
•	(Use same accounts as above)	64	Reinforcing Steel - Total
25 - 2	6 Open	65	Pre-Stressing Steel - Total
27	Concrete Plants Profit Center - Total	66	Place Concrete - Total
28	Expense - Total	67	Cure Concrete - Total
29	Revenue - Total	68	Handle/Store Product - Total
30	Concrete Plant No. 1 Profit Center - Total	69	Deliver Product - Total
31	Expense - Total	70	Revenue - Total
32	Materials - Total	71 - 82	Pre-Cast/Pre-Stressed Concrete
33	Batch Plant Operation - Total	71 - 62	Plant No. 2 Profit Center - Total (Use same accounts as above)
34	Batch Haul - Total	07 - 1	•
35	Central Mixing Plant Operation - Total	83 -9 4	Pre-Cast/Pre-Stressed Concrete Plant No. 3 Profit Center - Total (Use same accounts as above)
36	Deliver Concrete - Total	95 - 99	Open

## CHART OF COST ACCOUNTS BASIC CHART PROFIT CENTERS

## COST SECTION T EQUIPMENT

1	Profit Centers - Total	11	Expense - Total
2	Expense - Total	12	Revenue - Total
3	Revenue - Total	13	Marine Equipment Profit Center - Total
4	Equipment Profit Centers - Total	14	Expense - Total
5	Expense - Total	15	Revenue - Total
6	Revenue - Total	16	Aviation Equipment Profit Center - Total
7	Automotive Equipment Profit Center - Total	17	Expense - Total
-		18	Revenue - Total
8	Expense - Total	19 - 99	Ореп
9	Revenue - Total		
10	Construction Equipment & Plant Profit Center - Total*	*If it is desired to separate "Construction Equipmen and "Plant," a new series of account numbers m be assigned for "Plant."	

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Fig. 53. Completed Time Card.

# APPENDIX IV - C3 PRACTICAL ACCOUNTING

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Fig. 54, Weekly Distribution Summary.

# APPENDIX IV - C4 PRACTICAL COST AND STATUS REPORTS

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Fig. 72. Weekly Labor Cost Report

## APPENDIX IV = C5 PRACTICAL ACCOUNTING

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Fig. 73. Monthly Job Cost Report

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### PRACTICAL COST AND STATUS REPORTS

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8225	STEA	BOY K HOUSE	84,893	15	12,734	13,100	1744	3210	4900	3246	<u>87333</u>	(2440)
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APPENDIX IV-D

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Report may be prepared for total company fleet and for each division, subsidiary and job.
Totals for previous year can be tabulated at beginning of each group for comparison, if desired.

### V. CONCLUSION

This study set out to develop a methodology for investigating a public agency's accounting records with the object of finding productivity data which could be used in comparisons with similar data found in the private sector. The methodology is found in Section II of the report. The study found inadequacies in the subject agency's accounting system which precluded development of meaningful productivity data.

Having analyzed the inadequacies; the study went on to make recommendations for correcting the specific deficiencies found and for setting legal minimum accounting system requirements for public agencies.

The results found, and recommendations made, by this study should be particularly helpful to public agencies which find themselves in positions of developing accounting and control procedures to deal with construction.

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